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OUR WEEK OF PRAYER PROGRAMS

Beloved, we, the women over the state, are greatly indebted to our State Mission committee for the intense study they put on our program. We are also indebted to our Miss Traylor for her lessons on Jeremiah. Let us not fail to give thanks especially for these sisters. I think it well also to express our gratitude for our beloved Mrs. Cox, who turned our attention this crucial year to the Weeping Prophet.

Jeremiah is not easy to read; nor is he easy to understand after you have read each one of the fifty-two chapters. But as he "sobs out the death agony of Israel" our hearts are touched with a deeper sense of what his message means

TODAY. If each woman of us will commit to memory the Scripture verses selected for each program, we will realize a heart-felt intensity of what our Father's message through Jeremiah means to us. And now that we have done what we could with the Book of Jeremiah, let us turn to his postscript—"The Lamentations of Jeremiah," and fit in our hearts for our DAILY consideration Lam. 3:19-28. "It is of Jehovah's loving kindness that we are not consumed because His compassions fail not."... They are new every morning. Great is Thy faithfulness.

MARGARET M. LACKEY.

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A SURVEY OF BAPTIST MISSIONS AMONG THE CHOCTAW INDIANS IN MISSISSIPPI

Eugene I. Farr, Agricola, Miss.

The original paper from which these articles are taken was prepared for the Department of Missions of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, at the suggestion of Professor W. W. Hamilton, Jr.

It was a most thrilling adventure for the writer to prepare the paper, but one that probably would have been abandoned or cut short had it not been for the kind consideration and encouragement given by Professor Hamilton.

For whatever contribution this may be to Christ's cause, the writer is deeply indebted to many persons whose names cannot be mentioned in these abbreviated articles. These studies are but the beginning of others of wider scope and more intensive nature by which we hope to stimulate a greater interest in the Christianization of the Mississippi

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MISS MARGARET M. LACKEY

Returned Missionary Keeps Busy

A year ago I returned from China and have been engaged in preaching and deputation work since then. I have spoken in twelve states, and traveled approximately 30,000 miles, making a total of 264 addresses, sermons and mission talks.



REV. H. M. HARRIS

Recently I have conducted three series of revival services and have more on my schedule. Interest in the Far East and in missionary work is wide-spread and intense. Mrs. Harris has made nearly as many addresses as myself. Everywhere we have been well received and royally entertained. It is wonderful to be living in Clinton where I was acting pastor during World War I. I was born five miles from Clinton and reared in Jackson. For

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Baptists to Unite October 4th in Honoring Wm. Carey

Throughout the South, Baptists will unite on Sunday, October 4, in honoring William Carey and celebrating the birth of modern Christian missions. October 4 will be the 150th anniversary of the birth of the organization of the British Baptist Missionary Society. As we have suggested before, certainly all Baptist pastors in the North, as well as in the South, should take this occasion to emphasize afresh our foreign mission cause. William Carey's life is in every way picturesque and a Carey Sunday in each church would be long remembered and deeply appreciated.

Why I Love America

Hyman Appelmann

I was born in Russia, and came to the United States in 1914, when I was 12 years old. I cannot tell you in detail why I love America. I should have to tear my heart from its moorings, and let every crimson drop of blood in it tell the story of my affection. All I can hope to do is give you a brief glimpse into the very depths of my soul, showing you the white acid outline, of frozen Maine to golden California, of winter-ruled Minnesota to sunny Texas, the map of the United States of America.

I love America because of its greatness. It is great in territory, great in resources, great in man strength, great in woman beauty, great in children sweetness. It is great in achievements, in accomplishments, in activities that have led the world in every line and sphere of human venture and adventure. It is great in its history. Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, Wilson, giants who stand out above the run of even the mighty! America has never lost a war, never dipped its flag in any sort of defeat. From Bunker Hill to the Argonne, Old Glory has been covered with honor and praise.

I love America because of its graciousness. It is the most generous, the most unselfish nation in all the world. Last in war, first in peace, our record is stainlessly clean of brutality, bestiality, inhumanity, arson, torture, rape. America is the Galahad of the sovereignties. We have fought no wars of conquest. We have not fallen causelessly upon weaker and smaller neighbors.

America has shared its wealth, its scientific discoveries, its medical accomplishments with all mankind. (Continued on Page Six)

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"What Would We Do Without Them?"

By Louie D. Newton, Chairman

S. B. C. Committee on Increased Circulation
State Baptist Papers

Wise words from a trusted and beloved Southern Baptist leader. He is practicing what he preaches: Three prominent laymen sat in my study awaiting a committee meeting. On the table were a dozen or more of the current issues of our state Baptist papers. Each of them is a subscriber to our Georgia paper, The Christian Index.



L. D. NEWTON

Presently, one of the men, a bank executive, remarked: "What would we do without them? How could we carry on our missionary, benevolent and educational work without them?" Another of these practical men, head of a large merchandising establishment, said: "We couldn't, of course."

And every pastor and lay leader knows that these conclusions are sound and correct. Let us, then, redouble our efforts to put our Baptist papers in the homes of our people. And I repeat what I have so often said, that the quickest and most efficient manner of putting the papers in the homes of our people is the budget plan. Ask your neighbor pastor who has tried the budget plan. Plan now to put your paper in your church budget this fall.

Sparks and Splinters

Pastor A. A. Ward did the preaching and Buin Spain led the singing at Cedar Grove in Leake county. There were 22 additions.

The Midway church in Leake county asked their pastor, A. A. Ward, to do the preaching and Jack Nazary to lead the singing during the fourth week in July. There were eleven additions.

Philippine chaplains stayed with troops, became prisoners, army reveals: A survey of the activities of 24 army chaplains who served throughout the Japanese siege of Bataan and Corregidor has been prepared by the Office of the Chief of Chaplains, and released by the War Department. All of the chaplains, it is stated, remained with their charges and became prisoners of the enemy. In numerous instances, the survey reports, both Protestant and Catholic chaplains held joint services over the graves of dead soldiers when the religion of the deceased could not be ascertained. Another chaplain commented on the increase in religious interest among the men, while still another noted that he had conducted burial rites behind the enemy lines. No indication of how he got there and back was given.

Wade: We will begin our revival at Wade September 19. Rev. B. S. Hilbun will do the preaching. Join us in prayer for a successful training course and revival meeting. We plan to have a Sunday school study course the week of September 14-18. Brother John Farmer will be with us.—V. C. Windhal, pastor.

What One Dollar Can Do: We missionaries are frequently asked, "What will one dollar do in China?" A recent letter from Miss Elizabeth Hale to Miss Douglas Oliver of Richmond, Virginia, answers that question in part: Two U. S. dollars sent to Miss Hale exchanged into \$36.00 Chinese currency. Miss Hale used part of this to purchase cod liver oil for needy patients. Two children who had been ill and needed a tonic; one child had been ill with a carbuncle, the other child had weak lungs; one high school student, weak from malnutrition, needed nourishment. The clerk of the Memorial church was very weak and needed cod liver oil. Our young preacher, Tsong Hou Chi, seemed undernourished, and was growing weaker daily. These people received the needed tonic.—The Commission.

Nazis Laicize Alsace Schools: The attitude of Nazi authorities toward religious instruction has created a critical situation in Alsace, where the schools are now under the control of the Baden minister of education, Schmidthener, according to The Church Times in London. A policy of laicizing the schools is being enforced. The Times reports, with little respect for the religious sentiments of the people, whether Catholic, Protestant or Jewish. Religious instruction must now be given in German instead of French and by teachers only. Children cannot be sent for religious instruction outside the schools, and prayers and services inside the schools have been abolished.

Bethel, Winston county: The past two weeks have been most joyous weeks in the life of this preacher. One week was spent preaching in the meeting at Bethel church, one of the churches served on Sunday afternoons. The Lord blessed us graciously during this week in fellowships, in evidences of revival in the church, and in the addition of eight members to the church. Four of these came for baptism, two fine young men and two precious girls. During this meeting Brother Jimmy Haggard led in a Vacation Bible School. This is his home community and church. Each year he finds time to make a great investment in service here.—R. D. Pearson.

Pulaski, Scott county: Rev. A. A. Jackson of Carthage did the preaching in our annual revival. His messages were soul-stirring and helpful. There were five additions and the church was greatly revived.—W. H. Wood, pastor.

Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., has resigned the church at Byram and is now a student at B. B. I. and pastor at Kokomo Baptist Church of Kokomo, Miss.

McCarley: Rev. C. J. Olander assisted Pastor N. H. Roberts in our revival meeting. There was splendid cooperation from pastor and people, and there were two additions.

Unity, Jefferson county: We held our annual revival the first week in August. My brother, Paul Boothe, pastor of Port Gibson church, did the preaching. Three young people came on profession of faith. The church and the entire community experienced a real spirit-filled revival. The work of our church has progressed splendidly this year. Our offering to the denominational work has been the best in several years. We plan to make some needed repairs on our building soon. Pray that the Lord may continue to bless and use us for His own glory.—H. D. Boothe, pastor.

Oak Grove, Scott county: Rev. W. C. Howard of Water Valley did the preaching in our annual revival. His messages were helpful and inspiring. Although there were no additions to the church, we feel that the church is much stronger and ready to do greater things for our Lord.—W. H. Wood.

Oak Grove, Yazoo county: Rev. Hubert Hammett recently assisted Pastor James J. Horton in our meeting. There were 22 additions. Thirty-two tithers and 30 joined the soul-winners band. The Sunday school was reorganized and deacons elected to serve one year.

Russell: The second week in August, Russell Baptist Church had its first DVS, with an average attendance of 60. The third week in August Pastor Elton Moore was assisted in a revival meeting by his brother, Kelva Moore. There were seven additions.

West Point: What a pleasure to supply at the West Point church and to see how God continues to bless the labors of former pastor, James A. Stewart, and the present pastor, John E. Barnes, Jr. Since April, when Brother Barnes came, there have been 82 additions. Those West Point Baptists certainly know how to be gracious to the visitor and it is a joy to preach to them.—W. W. Hamilton.

Since age keeps me out of war work I shall be glad to supply for some pastor who is a chaplain on leave, and do that much for our nation in this time of crisis.—W. W. Hamilton.

Beginning on the second Monday of October this year, National Bible Week will be observed. Since the opening of the observance will find our country in the midst of America's most desperate war, Americans everywhere are being asked now to put forth the greatest possible effort so that when Bible Week itself comes 'round a wave of true religious fervor can be rolled up which will sweep mountain high over every city, state and county of the United States and carry the crest of its unmistakable meaning to every nation in the world.

Last year the state of Arkansas paid \$18 for every dollar received as revenue from liquor, according to the Watchman-Examiner. License fees amounted to \$2,800,000. The people paid \$17,500,000 for the liquor sold; "the cost of automobile accidents resulting from that liquor was \$4,000,000; the cost of resultant crime was \$30,700,000."

Senator Bilbo of Mississippi says that he receives more letters protesting the liquor situation around the camps than in regard to any other matter. The senator has thus revealed a fact which could probably be duplicated in the case of a very large number of the members of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives.—The Voice.

Churches that publish weekly bulletins will be interested in the Baptist Bulletin Service sponsored by the Sunday School Board in Nashville. Bulletins, with two pages printed, will be supplied at a small cost. Write to Dr. Walter M. Gilmore, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. Simon W. Bryant, 310 Grand avenue, Greenwood, would consider a call from some church in Mississippi.

National wealth is being wasted: Assistant Secretary of the Treasury John L. Sullivan said on July 9, "We are spending on the war effort about four billion dollars a month." Expenditure for alcoholic beverages during the year is estimated at four and one-half billions. This money could better be used to buy war bonds to help win the victory now, and insure an income of six billions to the people later.

Pastor Judson Chastain baptized four in Lexington last Sunday. Brother Chastain is in Tupelo this week attending the fall meeting of the trustees of Blue Mountain College.

Bethel church, Yazoo county has called Rev. Marvin Jones as pastor to succeed Dr. A. A. Kitchens who recently resigned.

"Fishing For Men," is one of the best books on this subject we have read. The author is Dr. H. W. Ellis, formerly pastor at Columbia, Miss. It suggests plans that are workable and reasons that are sound. All of it has grown out of the wide experience of the author. The book is published by the Zondervan Publishing House of Grand Rapids, Mich. The price is 75c and \$1.00, in paper and cloth binding, respectively.

"Romance of Evangelism," by Roland Q. Leavell, is just what one would expect from one whose experience has been so wide and varied. For several years Dr. Leavell was the superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board, and he has packed into this one book all the many things that he practiced during his years with the Home Mission Board. The table of contents indicates the range of the book: Evangelism for Times Like These, Revive Thy Work, The Romance of Evangelism, The Lost Chord in Evangelism, Evangelism by Example, Self-Discipline in Soul Winning, The Evangelized Becoming Evangelists, Evangelism in the Home, Perennial Church Evangelism, Conserving the Results of Evangelism. The price is \$1.00 and the publishers are Fleming H. Revell Co., of New York.

Rev. Joseph B. Flowers, pastor, did his own preaching in a recent revival meeting at Winona. His father, Dr. Madison Flowers, of Goodman, led the singing. There were fifteen additions. The evening sermon subjects were as follows: Remember Pearl Harbor, Keep 'Em Flying, Victory Through Air Power, Food For Victory, Women and Children First, Something New Has Been Added, When the Battle's Over.

We were mistaken: In a recent review of Dr. Roland Q. Leavell's excellent book, THE ROMANCE OF EVANGELISM, we stated that the publisher was the Zondervan Publishing House. It should have been Fleming H. Revell Company.

Pleasant Ridge church, Oktibbeha county: Thirty years ago I was pastor at Pleasant Ridge, and this summer I had the privilege of assisting Pastor A. H. Childress in a meeting. It was a delightful experience for me. There were two additions.—R. L. Wallace.

Among those serving in the Training Union Association-wide Enlargement Campaign in Birmingham, Alabama, September 13-19 are the following from Mississippi: Rev. W. E. Green, Miss Frances Lippincott, Mrs. J. C. Greenoe, Dr. Niles Puckett and Miss Mildred Dodd.—Davis Woolley, BTU secretary.

The Greene county Sunday school and Baptist Training Union Association was held the fifth Sunday in August at Avera church. Among those on the program were Sallie Roberts, Jessie Mae Roberts, Mrs. W. C. Churchwell, Miss Iva Ball and Miss Ouida M. Smith.

Sidon: There were eight additions at Sidon where Rev. C. J. Olander led in a revival meeting. The church is pastorless at the present time. The people came in large numbers.

The Presbyterian Church of U. S. A. reports this year the largest membership—2,040,492 communicants—recorded during the 236 years of organized Presbyterianism. The contributions for 8,674 churches amounted to \$44,758,104, an increase of \$2,557,661 over last year's figures and the highest since 1933. They also report 47,521 infant baptisms for the year. The per capita giving of the Presbyterians during the past year was \$22.50.

Brother D. W. McCloud asked that we remind the brethren that Monday, September 14, is the date set for the meeting of the Central Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference at First Baptist Church, Jackson. Officers are to be elected and the program committee will have the program in plenty of time for the meeting.

Napoleon church, Pearl River Association: Rev. Morrell Lee preached for us in our annual revival. There were no additions but we did have a great revival. Many were stirred and revived.—J. W. Odom, reporter.

Evidently the people at Clinton like the first year of the pastorate of Rev. J. L. Sullivan. On Monday night, August 31, the church gave a reception for the pastor and his wife. A good time was had by all, and especially Rev. and Mrs. Sullivan. The climax of the reception came when they were invited to go into a nearby room and there they found a full set of chinaware and a handsome silver platter. The platter is large enough to hold all the fried chicken that any preacher should have on his table at one time.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
Is — work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."

I

A comparison of August receipts at your office:

	Budget	Designated	Now Club	Total
1942	\$14,180.29	\$8,043.77	\$4,206.64	\$26,432.70
1941	8,573.90	8,348.24	4,948.12	21,870.26
Gains	5,606.39 L.	304.47 L.	741.48	4,562.44

Analysis: The gain in Cooperative Program receipts is significant and satisfying. We want to keep the emphasis there. In the light of this gain the slight loss in designations is meaningless to us. WE SHOULD STILL INCREASE CONTRIBUTIONS TO ALL CAUSES THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM!

We regret even the slight loss registered in the NOW CLUB column. In August 1941 we were just out of the six months Now Club Campaign that saved the Now Club, whether all Mississippi Baptists realize it or not!

Contributions for our debts registered a sharp increase from the last months of that Campaign and forward. It was somewhat expensive but it produced many times over the hundreds of dollars it cost.

Mississippi Baptists may come forward in such numbers that we will get victory without more overhead. If it takes another such campaign to write final victory we are for it. We do not expect to make any such proposal any time soon, however.

Nearly 3500 years ago God's people brought "too much" for a service in His Name—Exodus 36:7e. Read chapters 25 and 35 also.

Would it not be glorious for God's people to do that in 1942? The most important thing is, we gained in what is usually classed a low month of the year.

II

STATE MISSIONS

One of your state missionaries went to a rural church for revival services and arriving with some other folks just before the appointed hour, found no wood on hand for starting a fire. It was the last week in November and the weather was cold. It is strange how the people of Christ are interested in soul winning and other spiritual services and yet do not get His house ready for rendering such service. In addition, window lights were out and coats were put over windows to keep the cold out. Many people might have been tempted to call in that service. Elijah's God could answer by fire despite twelve barrels of water poured over that sacrifice. I Kings 18. Our God can also answer despite snow, rain, and laziness on the part of many of His people. Tuesday night two people were saved. Wednesday night seven people were saved.

THAT IS STATE MISSIONS!

III

If your association lives up to its larger opportunities in soul winning effort—

It should study and commit itself altogether to the 1943 Three-months Statewide Evangelistic Crusade.

It should decide upon the date and place.

It should appoint all committees needed for the Association at large.

It should plan for a study in soul winning in each church.

It should plan for an Andrew Club in each church.

It should by all means, plan for an association-wide census.

The churches should select their help—after committing themselves and deciding upon the plan to be followed.

Church committees should be appointed. An

Andrew Club is to be organized. A study in soul winning is to be held.

Prayer, preaching, personal work, cooperation, fellowship, singing, love, discipline, harvesting, etc., are all parts of this Crusade.

IV

We are to have the joy and privilege of working with Pastor G. S. Jenkins, and the Lucedale church, the first week of the 1943 Evangelistic Crusade.

These and other brethren of George county were the first to take action as an association, voting to enter this crusade.

The third week of the Statewide Crusade we are to have the pleasure of working with Pastor W. E. Greene, and the Ellisville Baptist Church.

The Jones county brethren are a vigorous group.

These pastors and brethren are among our most dependable folks for Christ. A great blessing will come to us as we work with them!

V

The Salem Baptist Church, Neshoba county, was dedicated Thursday, August 27. Pastor F. G. Wilborn and all his folks were very happy. The house is commodious and well-built. A large congregation was present morning and afternoon.

This church was torn asunder sometime ago and went into court over the title to the building.

We have read of the bird which, instead of building its own nest in which to lay its eggs, robs other birds of their nests.

We know a few so-called Baptists like that. They build no great churches for our Lord, but are past masters at robbing others.

We thank God for Brother Jim Jones and others who "stood by" faithfully through many trials at this place.

I Peter 1:3-9.

VI

MORE STATE MISSIONS

Brother E. D. Estes, State Mission Evangelist, writes as follows:

"Last week we had a great revival meeting in Hollywood Baptist Church, Riverside Association, with 66 additions to the church, fifty-six of whom came by baptism. Thank the Good Lord for His great blessings!

"I also placed Now Club Certificate No. 730 for \$50.00 and \$33.35 already paid on it. I will try to place one to Liberty Hill church while I am here with them this week. They have not done anything about the Now Club."

VII

A little ten-year-old Negro boy somewhere secured one of our coin envelopes used in taking the offering for soldier work. This envelope came to the office with one dollar for the work. We give you his letter just as it was written:

"My name is ——. I bin workin for our government an doin the best I can to help the U. S. A. am willing to do all I can an asking my little classmates to help me. All I can git is one dollar. My age is ten years."

VIII

Dr. J. D. Thompson, aggressive pastor at Booneville, called a meeting of his deacons and other men to consider plans for caring for an influx of people incident to the proposed military camp nearby. We were glad to accept an invitation to be present.

Our people are becoming more and more interested in our Mississippi Baptist soldier program.

A good time to remember it is during the State Mission offerings!

IX

We recently wrote some official in each of the 300 Mississippi Baptist churches that did not one thing for missions last year. In reply a brother writes: "Will say our church is not very active. We have been out of a pastor for a good while, though we have one at present. I am enclosing fifty cents to apply to missions that our church may be taken off the list of 300!"

That is the spirit that makes for victory. Even if none joined us, we would see to it that our church did something in obedience to the command of Christ at home and around the world. Acts 1:8!

X

Rev. R. A. Oliver, Duck Hill, Mississippi, recently completed his three-year course at the Southwestern Seminary. Rev. H. D. Hawkins, one of our fine pastors of Leake county recently used Brother Oliver in revival services and had the following to

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley

Soldiers, Sailors and Defense Projects Service

State Mission season is now at hand and our leaders are suggesting that no special offering be taken to care for soldiers, sailors and defense projects needs for the coming year. The expense, therefore, will necessarily have to be taken from the State Mission budget and funds.

For this reason they are calling on our people to support this cause of ministering to the men in our armed forces in Mississippi Training Camps in a larger way in the State Mission offering, because of the extra burden the new camps and the increase in the personnel of the old camps has put on our denomination.

"This Week in Jackson" is the title of a neat little bulletin published by the Service Division of the W. P. A. listing all religious, recreational and social activities to be held in the Capitol City during the week. Baptist churches having a special night or nights for service men during the week of August 28-September 3 were the First Baptist, Calvary, Griffith Memorial and Northside. Army officials state that Mr. A. T. Whitten is rendering a fine service in this defense area, a service that is greatly needed.

BROOKHAVEN: Hazel and Mildred Smith, sisters, were among the first women in Mississippi to be sworn in at the Shelby Recruiting and Induction Station as "buck privates" into the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. The item states that their first lesson was in peeling army potatoes. In this new streamlined army we may expect the kitchen police to adopt a new slogan such as "Keep 'Em Peeling."

BR

Liberty: In addition to the 17 additions during the regular revival meeting, which closed on Friday night, August 14, there were six additions on the following Sunday.

say of him: "I had him with me at New Providence church and the meeting was of such value and success that I just kept him over another week at Mars Hill where we had another great meeting. I must say that Brother Oliver is bubbling over to tell the story. I do not hesitate to say that he will make the best of any work to which he may be called and that the Cause of Christ will prosper. I have never seen any man that depended more upon the leadership of the Holy Spirit."

Some of our Mississippi churches should claim the services of Brother Oliver. He may be reached at his home at Duck Hill.

XI

Pisgah, Carroll county, Pastor L. D. Sellers—that is a good combination meaning good fellowship and a good service.

Pisgah is a half-time rural church. They have excellent Sunday school and Training Union work.

Brother Sellers is also a local Board member.

B. T. U. Secretary A. J. Wilds went with us and talked his work with them. He received an invitation to come back. Did we? Answer: Just too modest to say.

XII

WE RESPECTFULLY URGE ALL PERSONS DISTRIBUTING TRACTS FROM THIS OFFICE TO WRITE FOR ALL THE TRACTS YOU CAN USE. WE ARE GLAD TO SEND THEM AS WE HAVE THEM ON HAND.

IN CASE TRACTS ARE LEFT ON HAND PLEASE RETURN THEM TO THIS OFFICE AND WE WILL SEE THEY ARE USED.

WE SIMPLY DESIRE TO PREVENT WASTE AND EXTRAVAGANCE!

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS WILL APPRECIATE THIS AND COOPERATE IN IT!

THANK YOU!!!

XIII

Mississippi Baptists will be glad to know we have secured Dr. Zeno Wall, Shelby, North Carolina, as a featured speaker for our Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, January 18-21, 1943!

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OUR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT LICENSES ILLEGAL GAMBLING DEVICES

All of us have heard of the colored preacher who announced that on next Sunday in his sermon he would "Explain the unexplainable, reveal the unreveable and unscrew the inscrutable."

Our national government is doing just that. Millions of young men have been, and are being, drafted into the armed service. The least infraction of various rules brings quick punishment in many ways, such as kitchen police duty, confinement to camp, etc. Our national government has various laws, and to break them usually brings swift, sure and severe punishment.

YET, the state of Mississippi has laws which our national government aids and abets in breaking. We refer to liquor, and to gambling machines, the latter usually called slot machines.

It is a well-known fact that when the question of prohibition repeal was before the people we were promised that dry states would be protected. We then denounced such statements as lies and we have no reason to change our opinion.

Not only does our government license liquor, but it also grants license to slot machines. These are illegal, not only in Mississippi, but in most of the other states. According to The Associated Press dispatch printed below, 1502 slot machines in Mississippi (although illegal in Mississippi) have been "given the green light" by our national authorities.

1,502 Slot Machines Taxed in Mississippi

Illegal Devices in Operation

Washington, Aug. 15—(AP)—Although pin-ball games and slot machines are illegal in a large part of the United States, the treasury disclosed today that more than 238,000 are in operation and paying federal taxes.

The number of machines in each state on which the tax was paid for the fiscal year ending June 30, includes:

Mississippi, 1,502.

Such aid to law-breakers is high-handed hypocrisy. Instead of smiling on illegality our national authorities should help law enforcement; should promote, instead of hindering it.

It would be just as consistent for Mississippi to license its own citizens to violate national laws. If Mississippi were to license people to evade the draft, to sell tires without a certificate, to ignore the income tax law, we would be branded as criminals and traitors. Such laws would immediately be declared unconstitutional. Yet the very government that would fight any of our laws that would nullify theirs openly grants a license to people to ignore ours. Our national authorities urge 100% cooperation from its citizens, we suggest that they meet us half way.

But the fact that slot machines are licensed by our national government does not justify our state law enforcement officers in permitting the operation of these illegal machines. Every sheriff and other law-enforcement officer who allows slot machines to operate is violating the oath he took to uphold our laws. Few such machines can operate where our officers are faithful to their oaths. A few days ago while waiting in a bus station we saw a person go to a slot machine and play it several times (win once) while an officer stood within a few feet of the machine. We don't think the officer was blind.

An officer should keep his promise, or resign.

—BR—

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office include the following: L. C. Hoff, G. O. Parker, Mrs. G. O. Parker, W. C. Sledge, Shaw; Rev. R. L. Wallace, Raymond; Major Thorn, Morton; Rev. Earl Brooks, Rev. W. L. Holcomb, Prentiss; Rev. G. S. Jenkins, Lucedale; Rev. S. B. Harrington, Moselle; Rev. J. B. Smith, Hollandale; Rev. Jack J. Cranford, Rev. Billy Watson, Clinton; Rev. Tom L. Pfeifer, Clinton; C. D. Matthews, Star; Rev. C. C. oJnes, Mendenhall.

I AM GLAD I AM AN AMERICAN

We do not approve all the policies of our government. We think they have "double crossed" the dries about protecting dry states; we think they could avoid much Sunday work; we think they could have curbed much price inflation; and we certainly don't approve of much of the legalized graft and waste. But any American can go anywhere with clear eyes, unblushing face, and head high without fear of having anyone, either by "dirty look" or caustic word, accuse us of mistreating helpless prisoners of war.

We quote below extracts from statements of some of those on the steamer Gripsholm which recently brought back internees from Japan and Occupied China. And remember that these statements are mild indeed. Many of the horrors they endured remain untold because of the added terrors that would be heaped upon those innocent persons still in Japanese hands.

"Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 26—A steady stream of grim testimony to war's burden on civilians—men and women returning from the Orient with thin bodies and shadowed eyes—disembarked from the diplomatic liner Gripsholm on the day after its return from Japanese-occupied territories.

"Although instructed by the State Department to speak cautiously of their experiences—out of deference to their compatriots still living in conquered countries—some volunteered information about starving, face slapping and humiliating tactics of the Japanese. Others spoke of happier treatment.

Horror From Hongkong

"Most of the stories of severe treatment came from those who lived through the capture of Hongkong where prison conditions immediately after the Japanese occupation were described as abominable.

"Walter F. Arndt, assistant general manager for the American President Lines at Hongkong, told of being held for 16 days in a Chinese brothel where for two days none of the five occupants of a tiny room was given either food or water.

"I was kept in a 15 by 17 foot cell with 30 other persons, mostly Orientals," said H. S. Dunn, Far Eastern manager for Warner Brothers Pictures, describing his 64-day ordeal in Shanghai. "In that time my only food was a bowl of rice three times a day."

Food Needed in Camps

"Paul V. McLane, Canadian government trade commissioner at Hongkong, described the plight of between 1700 and 2000 Canadian war prisoners at Hongkong whom he said the Japanese authorities refused civilian internees permission to visit before they were evacuated.

"It seems pretty definite that conditions in the camp are hard and that supplementary food and medical supplies are also urgently needed there," McLane said.

"He said the Canadian military prisoners were lodged in huts on North Point of Hongkong Island. The principal concern of civilian internees remaining there was food, McLane said."

From the Press-Scimitar of Memphis, Tenn., we quote:

"Eugene H. Dooman, embassy counselor, protested to a Japanese foreign office representative Dec. 18 that there was 'nothing in the history of international relations which could even approach this instance of savage treatment of public officials.'

"The record of behavior of Japanese policy will remain a blot to shame Japan for the next hundred years," Dooman said.

Peek Through Windows

"During the first months of internment Grew protested because uniformed Japanese police swarmed daily through the private apartments of the diplomats, even peering through the windows of the ambassador's private quarters and attempting to roam the rooms despite the fact that Mrs. Grew was ill.

"Other indignities he protested included:

"1. Failure of the Japanese to provide any food whatsoever despite promises and the embassy's acute need for outside supplies.

"2. Receipt by the embassy of only one-third of the fuel needed to heat its buildings during the severest part of the winter.

"3. Japanese refusal to permit anything or anyone to enter or leave the embassy between Dec. 14 and 18, at a time when the Tokyo press was claim-

ing that American diplomats had expressed 'gratitude for the kind treatment being received.'

"4. Police refusal to furnish escorts, upon which they insisted, for embassy cards seeking to obtain adequate supplies of fresh food and other necessities at embassy expense in Tokyo. Hence, the cars couldn't go out.

"5. Some members of the embassy were forced to go for months without a change of clothes because the police refused to let them get possessions from their homes outside the embassy compound.

"6. Police insistence that everyone remain within the embassy at all times, despite the inadequate accommodations. Two staff members, therefore, even slept on cots in Grew's office.

"7. Occupation by the police of the home of Smith Hutton, naval attache.

"8. Refusal to remove embassy garbage, thus endangering the health of those interned.

"9. Extreme delay in furnishing medicines.

"10. Refusal to provide any facilities for exercise.

"11. Refusal to permit an embassy representative to visit staff members in hospitals, where several were seriously ill.

"Japanese foreign office representatives admitted that the embassy was not receiving 'reciprocal treatment,' but appeared pleased by their inability to obtain the cooperation of the home office and police in improving conditions.

"After Swiss diplomats protested fruitlessly for more than a month, police finally relaxed some restrictions and even withdrew uniformed policemen, but never provided any food.

Further Insults

"After the American air raid on Tokyo April 18, Japanese authorities warned that another one would result in cutting off even of supplies for which the embassy itself had finally arranged.

"Not until Jan. 18 was the embassy permitted to engage in outdoor recreation. The internees were required to perform janitor duties in the embassy buildings and Grew's private secretary, Robert Feary, former Harvard football-player, ran the embassy laundry."

"The American Red Cross at Washington announces that Japan has refused to guarantee safe conduct for a mercy ship of relief supplies to American prisoners of war.

"The Japanese, it was further charged, had ignored their pledge to live up to an international Red Cross treaty calling for full information on the names and addresses of captured members of U. S. armed forces.

"Chairman Norman H. Davis of the American Red Cross, in a review of exhaustive efforts to establish contact with American prisoners, said moreover, that Japan is the only member of the Axis to have broken faith with the international conventions of humanity in war."

According to INS, former Ambassador to Japan, Joseph C. Grew described how the Japanese police deliberately struck with their fists the broken ribs of an elderly missionary, and how they repeatedly tortured another into unconsciousness and revived him to continue the torture.

"Among us," he said, "were many Americans who had spent the preceding six months in solitary confinement in small, bitterly cold prison cells, inadequately fed, and at times subjected to the most cruel and barbaric tortures.

"I will not go into the nature of those tortures, which were many, except to mention an incident on the Gripsholm when three elderly Americans, one of them over 70 years old, gave me a demonstration of the water-cure which had repeatedly been inflicted upon them.

"We went up to the bow of the ship early in the morning where a friend posed as the subject of the torture. He was tied up with his knees drawn up to his chin, his neck being attached to his knees and his hands securely bound behind him so that the cords in the actual torture had penetrated deep under the skin. He was then rolled over with his face up and water was poured into his nose and mouth. It was a realistic performance, but only from the oral description of those men could I visualize what the actual torture must have been.

Water Cure Six Times

"Six large buckets of water were used by the Japanese police, so that the subject in every case lost consciousness and then was brought to consciousness merely to have the same thing repeated.

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One of those elderly missionaries was given the water-cure six separate times in order to make him divulge information which he was supposed to have acquired as an alleged spy. Nearly all of the American missionaries, teachers, newspaper correspondents and businessmen were regarded as potential spies.

"The stupidity of those Japanese police was only surpassed by their utter cruelty. That same American told me that once while he was lying tied on the ground a Japanese had ground his boot-sole into his face and then had brutally kicked him, smashing a rib. When he was finally untied, he could barely stand and he said he feared that a rib had been broken. One of the Japanese police asked him where the broken rib was and began to feel his body. As the Japanese came to the broken bone he said, 'Is that the place?' And the man answered, 'Yes.' The policeman hauled off with his fist and hit that broken rib as hard as he could. In another case, a well-known American has been seriously maimed as a result of the gangrene which was caused by the ill treatment that he received in his prison cell. I had known him in years gone by and seldom have I had so great a shock as when I saw him on the ship, a mere shadow of his former self. There were many, many other cases."

(On page 23 of the September 7 issue of Life is a photograph of what the Japanese did to the party mentioned above. He was put in a filthy concentration camp, his shoes taken away, the room unheated. His feet froze and gangrene set in, and most of his left foot removed. When interned he weighed 160 pounds but when he arrived in New York his weight was 75 pounds.—Editor.)

(On page 90 of the same magazine an American woman tells how in Manila the Japanese beat the Filipinos for the slightest offense. The same paragraph tells how the British seamen escaped and were soon caught. They were brought back and shot before a small group. Contrast this with the merciful treatment escapees get at American hands.—Editor.)

"I had heard indirectly of the horrible atrocities perpetrated in the rape of Nanking and of the fearful things done in Hongkong when soldiers who had been taken as prisoners of war were bayoneted to death. But on shipboard we had direct evidence, for the dying shrieks of those soldiers were heard by a woman, a fellow passenger of ours, who herself told me the terrible story. This was no second-hand evidence, but the reports of reliable first-hand witness, and, in the case of the torture, the first-hand evidence of those who had suffered the tortures themselves."

Contrast such treatment with that accorded Japanese nationals imprisoned in our own country at the outbreak of war. Many of them were "imprisoned" at White Sulphur Hotel. This is a "swanky resort" hotel in the mountain section of West Virginia. We've never been inside it but if the inside compares with the outside it is "some place." We would welcome a thirty-day sentence there. Not one complaint has been heard concerning any mistreatment of Japanese. We understand that the food was all that could be desired and the treatment kind and courteous. In this our authorities have shown a Christian spirit. We don't always do as Christians should, but in this case we have.

I'm Glad I'm An American.

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I recently went back to Salvisa, Ky., where I was pastor during my student days at the Seminary. Wayne Todd, a Mississippian and a Mississippi College man is the beloved pastor at Salvisa. While I was pastor at Salvisa, Rev. A. L. Goodrich was pastor at nearby Hopewell church. We visited Hopewell and saw fruits of Brother Goodrich's work. There were 12 additions.—A. A. Kitchings.

Calvary church, Jackson; A very interesting and impressive program has been arranged for the B. T. U. General Assembly next Sunday evening. Everyone is invited to attend.—Reporter.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Hinds-Warren Association will meet at Parkway church, Jackson, September 29, from 10:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m.

We hear reports of great preaching by Dr. J. B. Lawrence during the annual revival at Black Jack church in Yazoo county. Dr. A. A. Kitchings is the pastor. There were three additions.

OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

TYRANTS IN THE PEWS

Tyrants in the pews? Surely not; that is the place where the "saints" are to sit.

But occasionally at least some "saints" are a little upsetting—their high status is not fully developed. Good people, indeed, but perhaps somewhat hard to get along with always.

This preacher was guest at a church in the summer time with a fair audience mostly of Christian people. So that morning he preached on "The Lordship of the Master." He enjoyed himself—a fair indication that the congregation would do likewise—until a lady rushed up to say, "But, brother, you did not say anything about the return of the Lord."

To her no sermon was complete until this great truth had been dragged in, no matter how difficult it was to get it into the discourses.

In every congregation there are men and women whose emphasis is upon some one truth of the Gospel. For them no sermons are complete which do not say something about these principles. No matter how great the discourse it is still short of perfection if it sticks to its subject and leaves unrelated topics untouched.

All too frequently this one-truth pew dweller forgets that there are others beside himself in the congregation. That means that the pastor, even if he wished to do so, could not touch on the specialties of all each week. So it is not long until the overlooked whisper around the church door that the pastor does not seem to have any deep appreciation of the real truths of the Gospel. Of course that "real truth" is their special hobby.

These people can take the sunshine out of a minister's life and cloud every day. And they may express great surprise when some day he announces that he has accepted a call elsewhere.—Canadian Baptist.

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Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

CHRIST'S CROSS AND MINE

B. B. Hall, Woodville, Miss.

What if Christ had failed us in Gethsemane? In the Garden He was face to face with a staggering, soul-crushing ordeal. The cruel trial was awaiting Him with all its mockery, scourging and merciless contempt. Blunt nails ready to tear His hands and feet, the crown of thorns and the most cruel human ingenuity could devise were reaching out death human ingenuity could devise were reaching out to crush Him. The gentle, compassionate Jesus shrank from such cruelty and injustice. His anguish in facing such an ordeal turned His sweat into drops of blood. In anguish He pleaded with His Father to save Him from that dreadful hour. But His Father could not. If men were to be saved there was no choice—Jesus had to take up His cross and go to Calvary with it. In this dreadful hour Jesus did not fail us but calmly took up His cross and paid in full the price of redemption.

Likewise the Christian life begins in Gethsemane. We, too, must take up our cross, no matter how much we shrink from it, no matter if we, too, must shed drops of blood as Jesus did. We must be willing to give up sinful indulgences, all unjust and ungodly gain, all oppression of our fellows and denying ourselves daily we must be willing to take up our cross and get under the burdens of the Kingdom of God, if we want to become and remain Christians. It is as necessary for Christians to proclaim the Way of Salvation to all men everywhere as it was for Christ to provide that way. But many Christians are more willing to cling to the cross of Jesus and to sing with gusto "The Old, Old Story" that grows sweeter each time it is told, but are not willing to take up their cross and get under the burdens of the Kingdom—they are willing in-

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"WHAT TO PREACH—CHARACTER"

Jesus Christ is supremely concerned with the creation of Christ-like character in the lives of those whom He has saved. Character is composed of the spiritual element, called our life, that represents the moral and spiritual content of one's soul. One's character always is his attitude and his choices. A man with a Christian character gives an answer that is consistent with the mind of Christ to the questions that demand a decision of him. A man lacking in Christian character will answer these same questions with a decision that is contrary to the spirit of Christ.

Therefore, much of the preacher's preaching must concern itself with planting in the soul of his congregation the seed of spiritual truth which will germinate into life that will create attitudes that will make Christian choices and will resist persuasion that would seduce one to do the wrong thing.

God is much concerned with the kind of life the gospel creates. Here our preaching meets a test. It is the great task. If we preach the gospel like Christ wants it preached, we can be sure that those who hear us will grow in the grace and knowledge of their Saviour Jesus Christ. They will be moved to receive from Him motive, aspiration, conviction and decision which will reveal themselves in daily life. This revelation will manifest itself in their lives, with reasonable consistency, making Christian choices and maintaining Christian attitudes.

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The church at Philadelphia on Sunday morning extended a call to Dr. Walter L. Johnson. Dr. Johnson has his degree from the Louisville Seminary and was graduated from the University of Louisville. He was for a while pastor at Mt. Airy, N. C.; later he spent a few years as teacher in the Mexican Seminary at El Paso and as a missionary in Mexico. He was given a hearty and unanimous call, being highly recommended by competent brethren. The church believes that he will accept and soon be on the field.

I have supplied for the church at Philadelphia during most of the time they were without a pastor. It has been a great joy to me and they have shown themselves most appreciative and cooperative. Blessings on them and the new pastor.—P. I. Lipsey.

deed to accept salvation as a gift but are unwilling to BE Christians. If we fail to take up our cross mankind will perish as certainly as if Jesus had failed us in Gethsemane.

The writer spent years agonizing in Gethsemane over the tithing question before he found joy and satisfaction over selfishness. Many Christians are agonizing over tithing now and will not get the most out of their religion until they triumph over self. The Kingdom of God suffers loss today, not from the hands of the enemies of the church, but from the hands of its friends. The Way of Salvation is not being adequately proclaimed, the flower of the world's young manhood is perishing by the tens of thousands and the whole world writhes in fear and misery because so many followers of Christ have forgotten God and have been unwilling to take up their cross and meet their obligations to the home, the kingdom and society. Too many fathers are not willing to deny and discipline themselves that they may set the right example before their sons. Parents are not willing to deny themselves and bring their children regularly into the House of God where they can learn the Way of Salvation. Indeed the kingdom is suffering awful loss and the multitudes are perishing, not because Christ did not take up His cross and provide the Way of Salvation, but His followers are not willing to take up their cross and get under the burdens of the kingdom.

Christ gloriously did His part. He did not fail us in Gethsemane; if now we fail to take up our cross and do our part the kingdom fails and mankind perishes. Except we take our cross, Christ took up His in vain.

WHY I LOVE AMERICA (Continued from Page One)

kind. No plea from any corner of the world has remained unheeded. Belgian children lived because American food ships landed on their shores. German babies have grown into manhood (God forgive them for their ingratitude) because with the signing of the Armistice in 1918 American relief lifted the hunger bands of that luckless land. Starving Russians, emaciated Chinese knew hope when American soup kitchens lined them up for charity. Japanese cities were rebuilt; Japanese homes were reestablished; Japanese men, women and children were given a new lease on life when the American Red Cross crossed the wide Pacific to bring help and hope. See how they repay us. I love America because, at terrific sacrifice, it has been the world's big brother.

I love America because of its gifts to me as to so many countless others. It gave me a chance at an education, I should never have had in Russia. It gave me a chance at freedom denied me as a Jew almost everywhere else. It gave me a place in the sun as a normal human being.

I love America most of all because it gave me Christ and salvation. Here the gospel was preached to me. Here the cross was lifted up before me. Here salvation was proffered me as the gift of God's grace backed up by the yearning, loving anxiety of Christian hearts. Here the waters of baptism saved me. Here the church welcomed me. Here the theological seminary opened its doors to me. Here I was and am, praise God forever, given a chance to preach the burning conviction of my soul that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came into the world to save sinners.

You ask me why I love America? The blood-marked sentry of George Washington's ragged Continentals hallowing Valley Forge is my answer. The laconic report of Commodore Perry on Lake Erie, "We have met the enemy and they are ours . . ." is my answer. The Texans' cry, "Remember the Alamo," is my answer. Abe Lincoln's "with malice toward none, charity for all, with justice in the right as God gives us to see the right . . ." is my answer. The bloody Meuse, Chateau Thierry, the Argonne, the tomb of the Unknown Soldier is my answer. The handful of marines on Wake Island holding back the yellow horde is my answer. Douglas MacArthur and his sweat-stained, blood-soaked heroes of the Philippines is my answer.

You ask me why I love America? My grammar school, my high school, my university is my answer. You ask me why I love America? My home, my wife, my two babies, living unashamed, unafraid (I weep as I cry this) is my answer. You ask me why I love America? My Bible, my church, my Christ is my answer.

You ask me why I love America? I am a Jew! I am a Christian! Let the deep, fathomless depths of gratitude out of the very innermost of my life, on my knees, on my face, thanking God for Christ, for the Constitution, for the Declaration of Independence, answer you, shout to you, rejoice with you—I love America.

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MORGAN GLAD TO BE BACK IN MISSISSIPPI

I am very happy to be back in Mississippi and connected with the Crystal Springs Baptist Church as music and educational director. The people of Crystal Springs certainly gave us a cordial welcome, and our work has been very pleasant in the church up to date.

Our church has been in a state of revival since our pastor returned two weeks ago from a series of revivals. We have had nineteen additions during the last two Sundays. These have come as a normal response upon a sane, normal invitation. This shows the unusual spiritual condition of our church.

Again, we are very glad to be back in Mississippi and invite you to pray with us and for us.

Very cordially yours,

W. C. MORGAN.

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Liberty, Rankin county: Rev. H. T. McLaurin of Jackson assisted us in our recent revival. Brother McLaurin is a great preacher and seemed to be at his best. There were five additions.—W. H. Wood, pastor.

A SURVEY OF BAPTIST MISSIONS AMONG THE CHOCTAW INDIANS OF MISSISSIPPI (Continued from Page One)

Choctaws.

Should any of the readers of these articles be interested in consulting any of the source materials used in the original study, inquiry should be directed to Eugene I. Farr, Agricola, Mississippi, or to the Librarian of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana. And if any one has access to any additional materials that bear upon this study, notice of such should also be directed to the above mentioned parties, and it will be more than appreciated.

The original paper (fifty typewritten pages) may also be read by any responsible persons who may make such desire known to the above mentioned. Of necessity all quotations from copyrighted sources is omitted in these outlines as printed.

Introduction

There are on the government rolls at the Indian Agency at Philadelphia, Mississippi, 2,071 Choctaw Indians (March, 1942). The New Choctaw Baptist Association is composed of ten churches with a combined membership (October, 1941) of 401. It is our purpose to survey whatever Baptist mission work has been done through the years among the Mississippi Choctaws.

The prevailing attitudes of the white people toward the Indians have been summed up in four words, "enemy," "nuisance," "problem," and "responsibility." But to the Christian of today they provide a challenging opportunity, an opportunity for the propagation of the message of Light.

Origin

No one knows for certain how the Indian came to be on American shores. The origin of the Choctaw tribe is just as obscure. But tradition has it that the brothers Chicka and Chocta came from the West at the head of a large following. The young men of the expedition bore upon their backs sacks of the bones of their ancestors. The first problem to confront them after stopping at the place indicated by the "sacred pole" that had guided them on their long trek was the disposition of these bones. The "spirits" hovered over them as they held a council. The decision was to bury the bones and the "sacred pole" in a mound. All men were required to work at packing the dirt to the mound, even the medicine men and the sacred conjurers. These privileged classes were incensed at such a demand, and all but thirty left camp, about two hundred women going with them. This brought religion into disrepute. After the completion of the mound "a cry" was held for a whole month. Thus the Mound of Nanih Waya was built and yet remains in Winston county, Mississippi, near the headwaters of Pearl river. Then the two brothers parted, Chicka going north and becoming the head of the Chickasaws, and Chocta going south to head the Choctaws. Thus the east-central part of the territory that later came to be known as Mississippi was inhabited by the Choctaws. And here the white man found them when he came.

Beliefs and Customs

The Choctaws were spirit-worshippers. Everything, good and bad, had a spirit, and these spirits had powers to affect the affairs of men. This seems to have been the main thought in their religion. They did not have places of worship, as shrines, idols, etc. They believed in magic and carried a bag of concoction with them at all times, especially during war. If the contents became known, it lost its power and a new bag had to be filled.

The Choctaw did not worship his ancestors, but he was careful not to offend their spirits. One of the most interesting customs had to do with the dead. The body was not buried but put on a scaffold about ten or twelve feet above the ground. Here friends and relatives mourned and guarded the carcass. In about six months the bone-pickers climbed the scaffold, cleaned the bones, and put them in a sack for the family. This practice was virtually abandoned by 1800. However, many still believe in the early activity of the spirits of the dead, or ghosts. Personal possessions are interred with the body or are made available to the spirit upon his return to his home on the night of the

LOUISVILLE SEMINARY TRAINS PREACHERS

The aim of an armed force of ten million men is rapidly being realized. It is said that for each man who is trained, armed, and sent across to fight, the services of forty civilians will be needed in his support. To send untrained men into this terrible warfare, or to fail to support them after they have put on uniform, would be unthinkable.

During the week of September 15 there will be gathered at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, about 500 men seeking training as "soldiers of Jesus Christ." These are men whom God Himself has called into this high service, and who have yielded their lives in absolute committal to the Christian ministry. They stand ready to go anywhere Christ commands, and they count not their lives as dear unto themselves. Many will be called to serve as pastors, others as missionaries, teachers, denominational servants, chaplains. The majority are just out of college and must get their further training now or never.

No one for a moment would expect the soldiers of the Nation to go to camp, buy their own equipment and pay all their own expenses while being prepared for the defense of the Nation. Should not these men who have dedicated themselves to "the defense of the gospel" be given a small amount of help that they may get ready for their incomparably important service? It has been found from long experience that if a student can be assured his table board he can then somehow manage. It is right to give our soldier boys the best, but it is also right to see that these "soldiers of the cross" have something to eat while they are preparing to give the Bread of Life to a spiritually starved world.

There are men in this list of 500 who will be enrolling for their training in the Seminary who must have enough financial aid to bridge the gap between their slender incomes and the absolutely necessary expenses of food, shelter, books. It would be tragic for these men to be turned away, or to have to drop out during the session for lack of a few dollars. Write to Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky, for particulars concerning one or more of these needy and worthy men.

third day. This practice is not universal but is still carried out by some.

Marriage was until recent years by common consent. No permission or license was necessary from any legal or tribal source. Divorce was the same way. But, as a rule, they were faithful to the union as long as it lasted, and separations were not so frequent. In sex relations even up to today the Choctaw is reported to have a better record than either his white or Negro neighbors. "Social diseases" are almost unknown among them.

As with other peoples, the Choctaws had recreational and social features of their community life. While these phases of life are necessary, they do present problems. Indian ball games are in a class to themselves. No other American sport requires more of skill and endurance. Every Choctaw community had its team or teams. Betting on the game was in vogue. The chiefs of each team sat on a scaffold at opposite sides of the field. The stakes, possessions of every kind, were piled on or tied to the scaffold. The winners got all, which meant that the losers went home "dead broke."

They also had their "hops." To use the words of the Honorable Lee Bonner of Sandersville, Mississippi: "The latter is a rhythmic march and figure dance somewhat like the old square dance of the whites. It is held in native costume, in the open air, on the ground, by log fire light, with drum music, and all follow the leader in voice as well as action with beautiful harmony. They used to have one about every moon, with barbecue and home-made wine to refresh them all through the night."

Drink has been the Indian's besetting sin. But be it said to the credit of the Choctaw that he has been neither a distiller nor a bootlegger. Of the number of people interviewed as to this matter all give him a clean slate. It is a sad comment that our "civilization" has furnished the "heathen" his worst blight.

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Tylertown church: In the last two weeks we have had eight additions. Sunday's attendance at Sunday school was 163, Training Union 68.—Reporter.

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PICTURE STORIES FROM THE BIBLE IN
MAGAZINE FORM NOW AVAILABLE
FOR CHILDREN

Children who belong to no church, as well as those regularly enrolled in Sunday schools, will now have available in colored continuity form a magazine entitled "Picture Stories from the Bible." This magazine, which represents an important new development in religious education, may be secured from various religious groups as well as from news-stands all over the United States. Its popularity seems assured since it is similar in appearance to the universally popular comic magazines. Parents and religious leaders are recognizing that this innovation will stimulate young people and others to read the Bible itself.

A number of important religious leaders have already given their personal endorsement to "Picture Stories from the Bible" and are serving on a voluntary Advisory Council. They include: Dr. William Ward Ayer, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, New York; Professor Samuel L. Hamilton, Department of Religious Education, New York University; Dr. Walter M. Howlett, executive secretary, Department of Religious Education Great New York Federation of Churches; J. Paul Maynard, former editor of The Christian Herald; Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, minister of the Marble Collegiate Church, New York, and author of "The Art of Living" and other books; Dr. Francis C. Stifler, editorial secretary of the American Bible Society.

The first issues of the magazine include the following Old Testament stories: Noah and His Ark, Joseph in Egypt (2 parts), Moses and His Struggle for Israel (2 parts), Saul, the First King of Israel, Ruth, Jonah, and Esther, Queen of Persia. The publisher is a New Yorker, M. C. Gaines, former school principal who some years ago began publishing comic magazines for children. He now issues a group of nine such magazines. Mr. Gaines originated the comic magazine in its present form and believes that it is a tremendous power for good among American youth. Boys and girls of teen age and younger read the comic magazine avidly each month. "Picture Stories from the Bible" is an attempt to channel that interest into constructive and educational channels.

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JAPANESE-HELD MISSIONARIES SAY PRAYER
PROTECTED THEM FROM TORTURE

Two Texas Baptist missionaries are back home following months of Japanese surveillance in Kaifeng, Japanese-occupied China. They are:

Mrs. Eugene Sallee, of Waco, Texas, and Miss Josephine Ward, of Austin, Texas. They attribute their escape from Japanese torture to the potency of prayer. Mrs. Sallee, who spent 37 years in China, said that in the many alarms taking place there she had always "trusted in the Lord."

"Actually, we were never harmed, but I know that we were saved from torture through the power of prayer, alone. You could feel the Chinese praying for us. It was strong in the air. We never worried. It was impossible to be afraid."

The Japanese permitted Mrs. Sallee and Miss Ward to return to their home, where the Chinese pastor of their church often visited them.

"The Japanese tried to stop him from coming to us, at first," reported Mrs. Sallee, "and his answer was: 'I am their pastor, and they need me.' So he always got through."

Chinese parishioners brought the women so much to eat, the missionaries were forced to tell them to stop. The cellar, kitchen and pantry were piled high with meat, poultry, eggs and flour.

The Japanese permitted the missionaries to post letters to Free China, but tales of cruelties perpetrated on other missionaries were widespread.

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Napoleon church, Pearl River Association: Rev. W. T. Johnson has resigned as pastor of our church. He has done a good work but lives 65 miles from us and his auto tires are wearing out. He made application for tires four months ago and can't get any. If our pastors can't get tires, I am afraid that some of our churches will be without a pastor.—J. W. Odom, reporter.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

Jesus said, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62.

I

It is our hope that Mississippi Baptists will do the heroic thing in sending \$100,000 to be used in the next bond call. We are "dead in earnest" about it! Some of it will come through the Cooperative Program and Five Thousand Club. The most of it MUST come through the NOW CLUB!

If we call \$100,000 of our Education Commission bonds next time we will save \$60,000 in interest, for it will cover a period of ten years, taking the bonds of 1952, 1953, and 1954. Let us do it!

Having saved \$75,000 interest on bonds already called, that will bring the total in interest savings to \$135,000 at that date, provided it is less than a year from this writing. We think it worthwhile!

IT CAN BE DONE! IT SHOULD BE DONE!
What do you say, Mississippi Baptists?

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST EDUCATION
COMMISSION

Box 530 Jackson, Mississippi.

Reprint from Baptist Record

August 20, 1942.

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RE: NOW CLUB PROMOTION

To: Pastors, Now Club Chairmen (men and women), and Other Loyal Workers in the Service of Our Lord:

We have saved \$75,000 interest in calling (December and June, last) all Education Commission bonds, 1943-1951, inclusive.

We should include \$100,000 of our bonds at the next call—whenever that may be. Mississippi Baptists, by either the Grace of God, or by their indifference, determine that!

If we make that call within the next several months we will save \$60,000 more in interest. That call would include all bonds maturing in 1942-1943-1944.

Please see that the matter is properly presented and pressed at your Association. Have some discussion from the floor. A few such words, well chosen, will mean much.

Other churches are considering putting the goal in their budget. Help them at this point.

Many individuals will participate if the matter is intelligently presented.

Order tracts for distribution.

In turn if we may help, command us.

NOW is the time to push this matter to completion. The months are slipping by. Our time will soon be up.

II

Pastors, Now Club chairmen (men and women), and all loyal church folk should see to it that the Now Club is fully presented at every association meeting.

Many churches are planning to put their goals in the budget. This should not be forgotten.

Many individuals plan to take certificates of participation.

Write us your questions and problems.

III

While the State Mission budget of Mississippi Baptists stood at \$40,000 we were paying out \$30,000 annual interest on bonded indebtedness. Putting only \$40,000 in all our State Mission work for a year and spending \$30,000 in interest for the same period.

We believe Mississippi Baptists can do better than that for Christ's sake!

While giving almost \$50,000 a year to Foreign Missions we were spending almost \$30,000 in interest on bonded indebtedness.

We can do better than that!

We may shut our eyes to the debt. We may go

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT VICKSBURG WILL CELEBRATE CENTENNIAL SEPT. 12-13

The First Baptist Church in Vicksburg was organized in 1839. The first pastor was called to the church in 1842. The Sunday school was organized September 10th, 1842. This year is, therefore, the centennial of the calling of the first pastor and of the organizing of the Sunday school. In view of this, the church has made plans for a special centennial celebration to be held September 12th and 13th. All former pastors of the church who are still living have been invited to participate in this celebration.



D. SWAN HAWORTH

They will lead in the services that will be held.

We will begin on Saturday afternoon, September 12th, with an informal reception from 5 to 6:30. At 8:00 p. m., we will meet for a service of worship with Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City bringing the devotional, and Dr. P. I. Lipsey of Clinton bringing the main message on the history of the church.

On Sunday morning at 10:30, Bro. R. A. Kimbrough will speak at a special session of the Sunday school. At 11:00, Dr. W. H. Morgan will preach. At the evening worship hour, Dr. Howard L. Weeks and Rev. Wallace R. Rogers will preach.

All of the present and former members of the Vicksburg church are urged to be present in these services.

D. SWAN HAWORTH.

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SOLDIER IS THANKFUL

Dear Brother Goodrich:

The following letter from a soldier boy to his pastor will be of interest to many brethren:

"Dear Pastor:

"Thank you for your nice letter of the 26th. I am indeed glad that one of the stars in the Service Flag is for me and also glad to be on the Honor Roll. I hope that the day when we can all come back to help carry on the work there is not too far distant. In the meantime, we must do our part to finish the task ahead of us."

Best wishes to you.

JAMES E. RICHARDSON,

Chaplain U. S. Army, Camp Blanding.

into dishonor in disowning it!

Or, we may as men and women of God, get under the task until it is completed!

Which is more Christ-like?

This is not a "bad" debt! We still have the endowment and buildings "purchased" through the debt. Young people, including 100 young preachers, are being helped each year—in training for their life's work.

Even when you make a "bad" debt, do you "beat it," or do you PAY it?

Which is the honest thing to do?

IV

In the Now Club tract now going out we said nothing about the \$75,000 refinanced at 3% interest.

This was omitted for two reasons:

First—we had given that information to you in this column only recently.

Second—each month we will be reducing that by \$5,000, \$10,000, \$15,000. Anything we might say about it one month will not be true the next month in the light of this reduction.

We will be issuing this new tract for six months. Therefore, the omission from the tract. Mississippi Baptists still have all the information about it.

NEWS and TRUTHS ABOUT OUR Home Mission Work

J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Joe W. Burton, Secretary of Education

Home Board Cuts Debt in Half

Payment of \$55,000 on debts in August has brought the Home Mission Board's obligations to the low figure of \$275,000, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer, reported to the executive committee in its meeting on September 3.

The August payment, Dr. Lawrence stated, has cut in half the obligations which the Board had last February 1 when the debts were refinanced. At the time debts amounting to \$550,000 were refinanced by an Atlanta bank at 2½% interest, and since that date \$275,000 have been paid to make the total indebtedness now stand at \$275,000.

Continued increase in offerings to Home Missions was shown by the treasurer's report presented to Dr. Lawrence. Total offerings in August, he said, amounted to \$42,522.13, compared with \$31,644.43 in the same month last year, an increase of \$10,877.70, or 34%.

In eight months this year the board has received \$606,407.30, compared with \$509,129.73 in the same period last year, an increase of \$97,277.57.

Twenty-five students, all volunteers for Mexican work in Texas, were approved by the agency to receive scholarships from the Ida Pearl Bell Scholarship Fund. These young people will be enrolled in colleges and seminaries in Texas this fall and winter.

Five new missionaries were named by the Board. These were Mrs. A. J. Benchoten, Jr., Kansas City; Miss Amelia Rappold, New Orleans; Rev. and Mrs. Francisco Flores, El Paso, Texas; Rev. W. L. Bufington, Columbia, S. C.

Baptist ministers are being commissioned as chaplains in the armed service at the rate of two a day, Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work reported to the Board.

Sixty were commissioned in August, he said, as he told the agency about the activities of the committee on army and navy chaplains, which committee gives endorsement for the denomination to ministers applying for chaplaincy appointments.

"We now have 428 Baptist ministers serving as chaplains," he said. "Last month our committee endorsed 136 men, over twice the total of 60 who received their commissions during August."

Chaplains are engaged in an effective evangelistic ministry, the camp superintendent stated, Baptist ministers in service reporting 1147 professions the past month.

Migrant Mexicans Keep Contact With Missionary

A dozen families from the Mexican mission church in Waco have been spending the summer and the early fall in the wheat fields of the north according to Rev. A. N. Porter, Home Board missionary.

Some families he reports are in Minnesota, others in Michigan, and still others in Ohio.

Recently the missionary received a letter from a family in Mississippi asking for Spanish Sunday school literature. They went to Mississippi a year ago to pick cotton and have remained there because they found work.

"Our people are scattered," the missionary adds, "but they let us know where they are."

Teacher-Missionary Studies at University of Chicago

John L. Tilley, teacher-missionary at Shaw University, has had the privilege of participating in the University of Chicago Workshop on Human Development which is available to only a limited number of persons.

He prepared and presented a study of the religious education program of Shaw University which is to be reflected against the modern concepts of religious programs on college campuses and designed to be suggestive of what can be done at the other Negro colleges.

It is indeed an honor that the work of Shaw

REV. JOHN W. COOK BEGINS PONTOTOC PASTORATE

Rev. John W. Cook for two years pastor at Maben and Mantee will begin his pastorate at Pontotoc on Sunday, September 13.



REV. JOHN W. COOK

the Cooperative Program. For most of these two years the Mantee Sunday School has been standard.

Mrs. Cook is also recognized as an efficient worker in all departments of church work. During her stay at Maben, she has been outstanding in Sunday School work, Women's Missionary Society, B. T. U., and Young People's Work.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST REPATRIATES EXPRESS THANKS FOR HOMECOMING WELCOME

The forty Southern Baptist missionaries who returned to this country on the S. S. Gripsholm were greeted, not only by a host of eager relatives and friends, but also by countless telegrams, letters and cards and other expressions of welcome. These were a source of much joy to them, and being unable to acknowledge such an avalanche of greetings, they wish to express, through the columns of this paper, their sincere appreciation of all the messages of welcome. Believing that their release from the Orient and their safe passage home were the direct answer to prayer they are deeply grateful to all whose prayers ascended in their behalf.

—BR—

East Moss Point: Even though the pastor was away three of the five Sundays in August, the church set a new financial record. The treasurer received, through regular church channels, the sum of \$1,046.00. Yes, it pays to tithe,—and read The Baptist Record.—Montie Davis.

University has received such attention as to make possible the inclusion of Dean Tilley in those invited to participate in this workshop.

Spiritual Growth Shown by Spanish Baptists

Evidence of spiritual growth and development was manifest at the recent annual Convention of Spanish American Baptists in New Mexico held at Carlsbad August 13 to 16, according to Rev. J. L. Moye, Home Board superintendent of Spanish work who attended the meeting.

Practical steps indicating real progress according to Brother Moye were the adoption of a budget for the Convention year, decision to publish a quarterly paper to promote the work, and the adoption of a constitution.

The Convention budget for the year which was adopted enthusiastically is as follows: 40% for Convention expenses, 20% for Home Missions, 20% for State Missions, 10% for Foreign Missions and 10% for the publication of the new paper *El Misionero Bautista*, which will be published for the Spanish Convention of New Mexico.

Two Home Board missionaries were named officers of the Convention, Rev. Solomon Gallegos, president, and Rev. Oscar Hill, secretary.

Next year the Convention will meet at Las Vegas where Rev. Cloma Huffman, Home Board missionary, is pastor. Brother Huffman is also the editor of the new paper published by the Convention.

ACCEPT APPOINTMENT AS CHAPLAIN

Rev. Charles Webb has resigned as pastor at Flora to accept an appointment as chaplain in the U. S. Army. He is now at Howard University taking the Chaplain's Training course.



RETURNED MISSIONARY KEEPS BUSY

(Continued from Page One)

four years I was connected with Mississippi Col-

lege when the Board had no funds to return us to China. Clinton is a fine community and our pastor, Rev. James L. Sullivan, never fails to preach the gospel with earnestness, simplicity, and power. I was baptized in the First Baptist church, Jackson, when Dr. H. F. Sproles was pastor, was clerk of the church and teacher of the men's Bible class



MRS. H. M. HARRIS

when Dr. Yarborough was pastor and was also ordained in the same church.

In a camp in Alabama recently a south-wide worker said: "I had rather visit Mississippi College and Blue Mountain College than other colleges in the South. The students are more interested in religious work and make more intelligent inquiries than anywhere else." Also, an Alabama pastor said to me: "I have made diligent inquiry and found that Blue Mountain College met my requirements better than any other school." Both these testimonials were unsolicited, entirely voluntary and were made less than a week ago. This leads me to ask whether we appreciate and support our schools as we should. Some Southern Baptist schools are in a precarious state. Bethel College of Kentucky has just closed its doors and Brown University has definitely ceased to be Baptist.—Hendon M. Harris.

—BR—

Clear Springs, Smith county: I assisted Rev. G. T. Henderson in a meeting at Clear Springs church. I taught school in this community when I was a teen age boy and had not had an opportunity to visit the community since those good old days. Although Brother Henderson has been pastor for only a few months, he had up steam when I arrived. Some results of the meeting were: Sunday school organized, W. M. U. organized, three deacons ordained, Felix Carr, Oliver Carr and R. O. Ritchie. There were 21 additions. One person shouted. This was the first shouting I have heard in a long time. One man 88 years old joined the church by statement. I have been invited to go back next year.—C. S. Moulder.

Rev. C. S. Moulder, B. S. U. secretary of Mississippi Southern College, preached in the annual revival at Toomsaba. Pastor Thomas S. Messer conducted the music and the young people's meeting. There was one addition.

GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

THE SCORE IS 19 TO 6 Baptist Record Again Leads

In The Baptist Record of August 13 the Now Club bookkeeper listed the twenty-five churches giving most to the NOW Club for the period of January 1, 1942-June 30, 1942.

Nineteen of the twenty-five are EVERY FAMILY Plan churches.

Such a large score in favor of the EVERY FAMILY Plan churches can't be lightly laughed off. The Baptist Record must help.

The same article listed the second twenty-five churches in total NOW Club gifts for the same period. As USUAL, the EVERY FAMILY churches led by a score of

22 to 3.

The Baptist Record churches have a habit of leading.

ANOTHER EVERY FAMILY CHURCH Before Taking

Dr. Lawrence B. Cobb, Union, coming to us some time ago from Oklahoma, has identified himself thoroughly with our work.



DR. L. B. COBB

Some other out-of-state pastors have done that, to our inspiration.

Occasionally one drifts in from another state and refuses to support generously Mississippi Baptist causes, and then feels he is not thoroughly appreciated. We all like for our children to be appreciated, no matter how homely they may be. Think that over! Mississippi Baptist

life helped make his church, and vice versa. He owes both something.

Anyway, we appreciate the excerpt below from Dr. Cobb's letter:

"During our recent revival with this church (Pinkney) they voted to adopt the budget plan of finance which includes, in addition to Ministers' Retirement, the EVERY FAMILY Plan for The Record and monthly contributions through the Cooperative Program to beyond-church causes. We hope to add the Now Club by Association time and feel confident we shall be able to do so. Would appreciate information concerning suggested quota.

"With every good wish and continued remembrance in prayer.

"Sincerely,

"Yours in Him,

"LAWRENCE B. COBB."

After Taking

The Pinkney Baptist Church is delighted with the EVERY FAMILY Plan. The proposed budget adopted by the church which included the EVERY FAMILY Plan was over-subscribed almost double. The Baptist Record was already coming into the homes when the canvass was made which I am confident had much to do with the splendid response. One of the fine deacons, Brother Elvin Sharp, said it was a very pleasant task and that every one he contacted seemed glad to have a part. —L. B. Cobb, pastor.

DR. HEAD SAYS:



DR. E. D. HEAD

"Our denominational papers are invaluable for the promotion of the work of the Kingdom of our Lord. For the dissemination of vital information, as heralds of cardinal Baptist principles, as promoters of frank discussion of current themes, and loyal champions of all of our world girdling program, they are positively indispensable."—E. D. Head, president, Southwestern Seminary.

Watching the EVERY FAMILY Churches Go By (From past issues of The Baptist Record)

Waxhaw Baptist Church, Bolivar county: We had a real revival with 22 new members, 16 for baptism. Our membership has increased from 22 to 48 in the past year. Waxhaw is an EVERY FAMILY church.—Curtis Askew, pastor. EVERY FAMILY churches have a habit of making progress.

Calvary Baptist Church, the largest EVERY FAMILY church in the state, continues to make progress along all lines. Total offerings for July, 1942, were \$795.12 more than for the same month of 1941. Why not? EVERY FAMILY churches usually do.

—BR—

TO THE MEMBERS OF UNITY CHURCH OF ATTALA COUNTY: Through arrangement by your pastor every family of the church will receive, free of charge, The Baptist Record for the month of September. It is your pastor's earnest desire that each family will recognize the practical and spiritual worth of The Record and decide to make it a permanent fixture in the home.—T. R. Clark, pastor.

Calvary church, Lamar county: Pastor C. S. Moulder was assisted in the annual revival by Rev. T. D. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Hattiesburg. There were two additions. The church is small in number, but large in efficiency. They have held the B. T. U. efficiency banner in the Lebanon Association for the past fifteen months. Pastor Moulder is now closing his tenth year with this church. He says, "Calvary is the only church that has done everything that I have asked them to do, and did it without grumbling. They even put Butane gas in the church without getting the pastor's permission."

Neely church, Greene county: My father was invited to help me in our meeting but due to illness, was unable to be with us, so I was asked to do the preaching. There were eleven additions.—C. S. Moulder.

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS September 1-30

Association, date, place of meeting:

Benton—September 8, Pine Grove church.
Prentiss—September 8, Wheeler church.
Lafayette—September 8, Abbeville church.
Monroe—September 9, Smithville church.
Tippah—September 9, Academy church.
Alcorn—September 9-10, Liberty Hill church.
Yalobusha—September 9-10, Oakland church.
Marshall—September 10, Carey Chapel church.
Tate—September 10, Hopewell church (Arkabutla).
Lee—September 10-11, Calvary church, Tupelo.
Itawamba—September 11-12, Evergreen church.
Lebanon—September 15-16, Oral church.
Calhoun—September 16, Bruce church.
Panola—September 18, Tocowa church.
Tallahatchie—September 18, Friendship church.
Jasper—September 22-23, Edon church.
Zion—September 23-24, Bradford Chapel church.
Carroll—September 25, Liberty church.
Bolivar—September 29, Shaw church.
Madison—September 29, New Hope church.
Rankin—September 30, Hickory Ridge church.

MEMPHIS MEN VOLUNTEER

Last week, the subject discussed in our Brotherhood meeting was "The Gaps Must Be Filled," which was prepared for the Brotherhood Quarterly by W. B. Southerlin, superintendent of Brooklyn-Cayce Schools, West Columbia, South Carolina. We were impressed by this timely subject, and the writer's splendid treatment.

We were made to realize that, within the next twelve months, every young man in this church, between eighteen and thirty-five years old, who is physically fit, will be in some branch of the service.

These gaps must be filled or the church will suffer irreparably; and there are none to fill them except the older men who are left at home.

In this crisis in the life of our church, we offer ourselves to fill any place left vacant which, in the opinion of our church, we are capable of filling.

We make this declaration without reservation of any sort, and in the determination that the work of the church shall not be impaired during the absence of our splendid young men.

(The above was signed by about twenty-five of the strongest men of the First Baptist Church of Memphis.—Editor.)

—BR—

ATTENTION BAPTIST PASTORS AND WORKERS:

Colleges all over the state are beginning in a few weeks. You will have Baptist boys and girls in your churches that will be going off to school, some of them for the first time. Many of them are fine church workers; some of them would be in college if only they were contacted and enlisted. There are many good workers from churches who are lost to the college because these are not discovered until they have been overlapped with work by sororities, fraternities and other campus activities and organizations. These campus organizations are notified by someone of those who would make a worthy addition to their organization. Our Baptist Student Union has no way of enlisting and contacting these capable workers from back home until after they are over-loaded.

You can help. Help by sending to us the names of all your boys and girls going out from your churches, Sunday schools, and B. Y. P. U.; tell us of their abilities and weakness. Do that for the sake of the student and for the Kingdom's work. Write to our student secretaries. They are:

Miss Lucy Carlton Wilds, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss.

Miss Wilda Tilghmon, M. S. C. W., Columbus, Miss.

Miss Marion Leavell, Ole Miss, Oxford, Miss.

Rev. Chester Moulder, Mississippi Southern, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Rev. Harold Douglas, Mississippi State, Mathis-ton, Miss.

If you have students who are attending any colleges other than the above, send their names and where attending to Rev. Billy Watson, Clinton, Miss., and he will send their names to the proper place and person.

—BR—

Bruce: The 67th annual session of the Calhoun Baptist Association will meet with the Bruce church September 16 and 17. Officers are: Bradford Murphree, moderator; W. B. Flanagan, treasurer, and E. A. Dye, clerk. There are 40 churches in this body, 30 ordained pastors and four licensed ministers in the association. The new brick church building is completed and committees have been appointed to arrange for the occasion.—W. M. Shelton.

Renalara: Pastor H. J. Logan recently closed a fine meeting at Renalara, a new church which he organized three years ago. There were 41 additions; many of them being mothers and fathers. On Sunday morning of the meeting there were 190 at Sunday school, which is many more than the church membership. Pastor Logan writes: "I am glad to report a fine interest in all phases of the denominational work. To keep this interest awakened I thought The Baptist Record would be my greatest help, so naturally, I always found time to speak a word in its behalf. The names of those who are to receive The Record will be sent in this week."

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

RIDGECREST SIDELIGHTS

"Sunrise on Kittizuma"

There are no adequate words to describe the beauty of the sunrise on Kittizuma. No matter how skilled the artist, the glory and beauty of God's sunrise has yet to be put on canvass.

The word of the Psalmist: "The heavens declare the glory of God," are clearer to me than ever before. As I stood with almost one hundred men, women, boys and girls on the top of Kittizuma mountain awaiting the rising of the sun, I watched the twinkling stars against the velvety blackness of the night slip silently away one by one. In this darkness before the dawn, hearts were lifted heavenward in the reading from God's word, in the prayers, and in the singing of hymns of praise.

As dawn came, I was again reminded of the Psalmist's words: "The earth showeth His handiwork." Who but God could create such beauty? Now the skies are growing lighter, the rosy tint of morn is appearing, all nature is waking, the sun will soon appear. With silence reigning and silent prayers ascending to heaven, I faced the east to catch the first glimpse of the sun. As the mist lifted and the skies grew brighter I watched breathlessly and then in all glory the sun burst forth to proclaim a new day—a day in which to work and worship. That is 'Sunrise on Kittizuma.' I must now descend to the valley. My new day has come and there is work to do for the Master.

MRS. J. ALTON DAVIS,
Magnolia, Miss.

New Free Offer

In order to further encourage the organizing of new extension departments, the Sunday School Board is adding to the free literature that they have been giving for each new Extension department organized, and is now giving the following: 10 The Better Home, 10 On the Wing with the Word, 5 On Duty for God and Country, 1 The Adult Quarterly, 1 The Sunday School Young People's Quarterly, 1 Sunday School Young People's and Adults, 1 Superintendent's Record Book, 1 Visitor's Record Book, 1 Enrollment Card—form 20, 1 Classification slip—form 10, 1 individual report envelope—form 580, 1 information card—form 550, 1 prospect card—form 530, 1 prospect slip—form 530A, 1 monthly visitor's report—form 520, 1 monthly secretary's report—form 540, 16 leaflets on Department Work.

This material will be sent in two packages, one for lesson periodicals and one for sample record supplies and department leaflets. A personal letter to the department superintendent giving detailed instruction will precede the material.

This is certainly a most liberal offer by the Sunday School Board and many Sunday schools should take advantage of this opportunity by organizing Extension departments. The value of the above material is \$3.50, yet, it comes free to every new Extension department.

New Workers

Miss Marie Estes, who has done

such a remarkable work in library promotion over the South, is to be married on September 19, and Miss Frances Frazer, of Memphis, Tennessee, and a member of Bellevue Baptist Church, and a member of the faculty of Blue Mountain College for the past three years, is to succeed Miss Estes in library promotion.

We regret to lose Miss Estes, but rejoice at the coming of Miss Frazer for this glorious work. She will do us much good and we are happy to welcome her to the ranks of South-wide workers.

Dr. Claude U. Broach becomes an associate secretary in the Department of Student Work of the Baptist Sunday School Board, September 1, 1942. We welcome Dr. Broach to this place of glorious service.

Standards

The Esther Adult class, First church, Meridian, Mrs. E. L. Summer, teacher, has recently become standard.

Also the Steadfast Intermediate class, Jackson, Griffith Memorial, Mrs. A. E. Gaskin, Jr., teacher, has joined the standard ranks.

Our heartiest congratulations to each of these classes on this splendid record.

Four Each

To date three pastors have sent in reports for four Vacation Bible schools each in their churches. These three pastors are Rev. A. A. Ward, Lena, Rev. F. C. Wilborn, Philadelphia, and Rev. M. C. Nelson, Monticello. This is indeed mighty fine work to have this many churches with Vacation Bible schools and we appreciate it greatly.

Brother Wilborn reports that one of his churches had the first Vacation school ever and the people were so pleased with it that they have planned to have a ten-day school next year. They have recently dedicated their building, and made a liberal mission offering during the Vacation Bible school for the first time. A W. M. U. has recently been organized also.

His church at Spring Creek has done a noble thing in enlisting several of their young ladies to go out under the leadership of Miss Sybil Deweese and help in Vacation schools in the county. These young ladies have had splendid training under fine leadership for future work in helping promote Vacation Bible schools in churches that have never had one. This is indeed a fine piece of mission work that will count in a great way.

—BR—

ALVIN COLLINS ORDAINED

Brother Alvin Collins of Myrtle, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Collins, and grandson of Alvin Collins, well known native and citizen of Union county, was ordained at Myrtle Baptist Church August 23. Ministers taking part in the service were: Percy Ray, W. C. Tyler, J. P. Kirkland, J. S. Riser, Jr., J. B. Parker, E. L. Byrd, J. H. Heath, Joe Allmon and C. S. Wales.

Brother Collins is a graduate of Mississippi College and plans to enter the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., this fall.

CHAPLAIN PATE IS GRATEFUL FOR THE RECORD

Camp Edwards, Mass.,
July 28, 1942.

Dr. A. L. Goodrich, Editor,
The Baptist Record,
Jackson, Mississippi
Dear Dr. Goodrich:

Recently I received several copies of "The Baptist Record" which I am informed came to me through the courtesy of Dr. H. L. Martin, minister of the First Baptist Church of Senatobia, Mississippi.

I wish to thank him through "The Baptist Record" for his thoughtfulness of me.

In my work as Regimental Chaplain of the 591st Engineer Boat Regiment, consisting of 3650 men and 166 officers, I am kept too busy looking after their problems to think very much about myself or to give much time to reading. I do, however, enjoy reading good literature when the opportunity presents itself and I am sure "The Baptist Record" will be a source of great pleasure, as well as inspiration, to me.

In behalf of the men who represent you in the armed forces may I request an interest in your prayers that God will give me strength, wisdom and courage that I may be able to serve God, therefore minister to my regiment in the best possible way.

Yours truly,

CHARLES O. PATE,
Regimental Chaplain.

—BR—

TEMPERANCE EDUCATION PROJECT

Dear Fellow Christians:

Many of you have been keenly interested in the Temperance education project undertaken by the Council on Narcotic Education. The plan to have a special instructor for the churches is working well.

Miss Ethel McKeithen of Meridian and Jackson, the young woman chosen for this project, has, between April 1 and August 1, visited 26 churches, speaking in some of them several times; had exhibits in four conventions, five district conferences, three young people's conferences, and a place on the program in most of these. Altogether she has made a fine beginning, and as local church leaders begin to understand the plan of work (cooperating to use her time to the best advantage in each community), she will prove of great service in developing an adequate temperance education program for young people and

25 YEARS AGO

At Kosciusko, a meeting under the leadership of Dr. L. R. Scarborough and Singer I. E. Reynolds and Mrs. Reynolds, held in a big tent, was in progress. Pastor Roper expected great results.

Rev. J. E. Wills assisted in meetings in Pleasant Hill, White Oak and Raleigh. There were 18 additions by baptism.

The Baptist Hospital reports show that a total of 511 patients had been in the institution during the year.

The church at Amory welcomed Rev. G. B. Smalley as the new pastor.

M. L. Lennon writes of a gracious revival at Fulton, in which there were at least 19 professions. The town was stirred as never before. Pastor J. F. Benson is shepherd of the flock.

Dr. J. H. Gambrell has just closed a fine meeting with Shady Grove church in Pike county.

Rev. H. M. Harris was called last Sunday as supply pastor in the absence of Chaplain Zeno Wall from Clinton.

Pastor Metts has been in good meetings this summer and reports 103 baptized and 19 added by letter.

There were 38 received into the Pontotoc church and over 40 professions of faith in the meetings in which Pastor T. L. Holcomb had his brother, H. R. Holcomb, to preach.

adults.

So far the members of less than forty churches, representing only three denominations, have contributed the funds necessary to carry this work on. We have raised about half the amount needed, and are asking that those churches who have not contributed will make an offering on September 6, sending it to me the following week.

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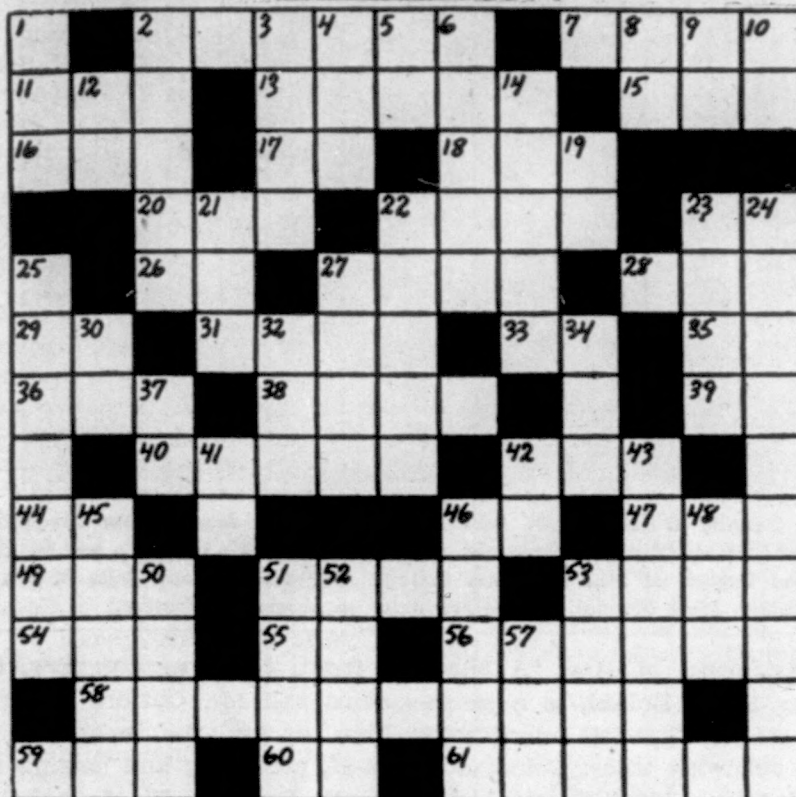
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Thursday, October 15, 1942

Louisville, Kentucky

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"But thou, when thou prayest, enter in secret; and thy Father which seeth into thy closet, and when thou hast shut in secret shall reward thee openly."—thy door, pray to thy Father which is Matt. 6:6.

PRAYER

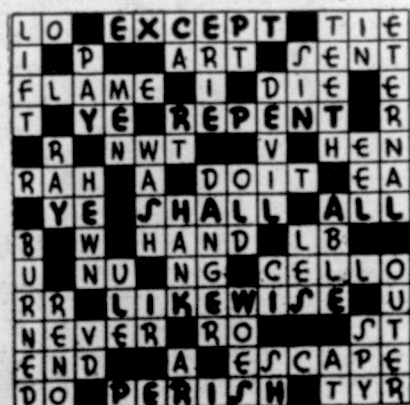
HORIZONTAL

- 2 Solid food (pl.).
 - 7 "Thy will be . . ." Matt. :10.
 - 11 "... Father which art in heaven," Matt. 6:9.
 - 13 "... ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation," Mark 14:38.
 - 15 Deep wagon track.
 - 16 "when ye pray, . . . not vain repetitions," Matt. 6:7.
 - 17 Half an em.
 - 18 Over (cont.).
 - 20 "If you abide in me, . . . my words abide in you," John 15:7.
 - 22 "when thou hast shut thy door, . . . to thy Father which is in secret," Matt. 6:6.
 - 23 Church.
 - 26 "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will . . . it," John 14:14.
 - 27 "and say unto him, Friend, . . . me three loaves," Luke 11:5.
 - 28 "ask, and ye shall receive, that your . . . may be full," John 16:24.
 - 29 North America.
 - 31 "and he . . . humbleth himself shall be exalted," Luke 18:14.
 - 33 "believe that . . . receive them, and . . . shall have them," Mark 11:24.
 - 35 Member of parliament.
 - 36 "For every . . . that asketh receiveth," Matt. 7:8.
 - 38 "joy shall be in heaven . . . one sinner that repenteth," Luke 15:7.
 - 39 Combining form indicating relation to an early period of time.
 - 40 "Pray that ye . . . not into temptation," Luke 22:40.
 - 42 Same as 21 down.
 - 44 Ancestor of Jesus, Luke 3:28.
 - 46 3.1416.
 - 47 "Jesus said unto . . . Woman, believe me," John 4:21.
 - 49 It is (cont.).
 - 51 "when thou prayest, enter . . . thy closet," Matt. 6:6.
 - 53 Aggregations (bot.).
 - 54 Garden tool.
 - 55 "saying, God be merciful to . . . a sinner," Luke 18:13.
 - 56 "must worship him in . . . and in truth," John 4:24.
 - 58 "And lead us not into . . ." Matt. 6:13.
 - 59 "... and it shall be given you," Matt. 7:7.
 - 60 Sunday school.
 - 61 "have their . . . exercised to discern both good and evil," Heb. 5:14.
- Our text is 13, 20, 22, 31, 33, 40, 42, 51 and 58 combined.

VERTICAL

- 1 "if two of . . . shall agree on earth," Matt. 18:19.
- 2 "Give us this day our daily . . ." Matt. 6:11.
- 3 "which . . . him ten thousand talents," Matt. 18:24.
- 4 "or what . . . is there of you," Matt. 7:9.
- 5 "... that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus," Matt. 14:1.
- 6 "And they laughed him to . . ." Matt. 9:24.
- 8 "... if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent," Matt. 7:10.
- 9 Greek letter.
- 10 And (Fr.).
- 12 "And forgive . . . our debts," Matt. 6:12.
- 14 "Traitors, . . . high-minded, lovers of pleasures," II Tim. 3:4.
- 19 Railway.
- 21 "And shall . . . God avenge his own elect," Luke 18:7.
- 22 One of the apostles.
- 23 "Thy kingdom . . ." Matt. 6:10.
- 24 "when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the . . . are," Matt. 6:5.
- 25 "your Father . . . what things ye have need of," Matt. 6:8.
- 27 Bathe.
- 30 "Or if he shall ask . . . egg, will he offer him a scorpion?" Luke 11:12.
- 32 "I would thou wert cold or . . ." Rev. 3:15.
- 34 Self.
- 37 Eye (Scot.).
- 41 "I have not found so great faith; . . . not in Israel," Matt. 8:10.
- 42 Nickel.
- 43 "Do men gather grapes of . . . Matt. 7:16.
- 45 Tumults.
- 46 "And all the doors and . . . were

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



Can you answer the four Biblical questions below? One correct answer is passing; two are fair; three are good, and four perfect.

1. There are two kinds of lawyers (scribes) mentioned in the name of a male character in the Bible. Can you define them?

2. Narcissus: Is not only the name of a flower, but also the

Bible. Where is he referred to?

3. A prophecy from Bible times is now being fulfilled in our present war. Can you quote it?

4. Where did the superstition that it is unlucky to spill salt originate?

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(Correct answer on page 15.)

LIBERTY CHURCH, KEMPER COUNTY CELEBRATES CENTENNIAL

1842-1942

Miss Olive Alexander

On June 8th, 1842, fifteen pioneer settlers of Kemper county met and organized a Baptist church and named it Liberty church. They decided to hold a protracted meeting on the second Sunday in August, 1842, and with one exception this has been the date of the annual revival for one hundred years.

In that organization, there were six members of the Lloyd and Spinks families, and the moving spiritual adviser was Rev. Michael Ross, who helped to organize so many early Baptist churches. The land for the church building was donated by Enoch Spinks; several churches have been built on the same spot, but as each one began to decay, loving hands built a better building, until today a commodious well-built church occupies the spot of hallowed memories.

On the second Sunday in August, 1942, led by their beloved pastor, Rev. Eugene Stephens, Liberty church celebrated its centennial. The membership consists almost entirely of the descendants of the pioneers. This might be said of almost every church in Kemper county. The program for the day was arranged by the great grandson of John E. Lloyd (a charter member), Mr. J. C. Wilson. Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City, also a great grandson of John E. Lloyd, was invited to preach the morning sermon. He had been ordained to preach by Liberty church. After the sermon, a bountiful dinner was spread on tables under the trees and old ties were renewed while enjoying the repast. Relatives from distant states found a loving welcome. Thirteen grandchildren of the charter members were present, descendants of the Lloyd-Spinks clan. Some of these were nearly ninety years old—people live long in Kemper county. This family celebrated a family reunion at the same time.

The afternoon program was given over to church history and five-minute talks

by pastor, former pastors, and preachers ordained to preach by this church.

Hon. Pressley Spinks of DeKalb gave an outline of the early history of the church with points in early church discipline—no drinking, no "hoss swapping" on Sunday, no dancing.

The early Church Covenant and Articles of Faith were read by Miss Olive Alexander of Rolling Fork.

A large placard with pictures of former pastors, present pastor, old church buildings, lists of Confederate soldiers, World War soldiers, Spanish-American War soldiers, and boys just going into this war, was an interesting feature, together with old books and other relics. The Bible on the pulpit was one belonging to John E. Lloyd, one of the charter members. Minutes of the first meeting were exhibited.

Five-minute talks by descendants of charter members brought forth both smiles and tears, smiles for memories of past joys and tears for loved ones gone. Mr. Albert Spinks, 85 years old, sang from the old Sacred Harp, the pioneer song book.

Rev. J. R. Davis, now pastor at Paris, Ky., another of Liberty's crop of preachers, told of what Liberty had meant in his life.

—BR—

Center Hill, Lee County: Rev. E. D. Estes did the preaching for us and two fine young people came for baptism.—F. V. McFatrige, Pastor.

Nettleton: Rev. F. V. McFatrige did the preaching in the meeting at Nettleton. Three were received for baptism.

Union, Miss.: Supt. Otis Foster, Associate J. L. Lewis and a splendid group of teachers and officers were rewarded for their earnest work during August by twice breaking attendance records for regular Sunday service, reaching 235 on the fifth Sunday. Treasurer R. L. Miller gave us cause for rejoicing in announcing the payment of the third \$500 bond of our indebtedness for this year from regular budget receipts. This is one beyond what the schedule of payments calls for and prospects are bright for taking up a fourth one by the end of the calendar year.—Lawrence B. Cobb. (This being an EVERY FAMILY church, they will probably do it.)

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Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Home Board superintendent of camp work, reports that sixty Baptist preachers were given commissions in August and 136 in addition were endorsed by the Southern Baptist Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains.

SOLDIERS' CLASS

On Sunday morning, October 7, 1937, seven young men gathered together to study the word of God. And with these seven young men was Miss Eunice Sandlin to teach and point out the main facts of the lesson.

This was the beginning of the "Soldiers' Class" of Parkway Baptist Church. The interest of Miss Sandlin and "her boys," as they were known, grew into something great and worthwhile. The following week, a business meeting was held, at which time officers were elected, the name of the class was chosen, prospects were listed, and an hour of prayer followed.

As time went on the class grew, reaching a membership of 56 young men, all-out for Christ. Later we organized what we called the "Bible Study Club." We met in the homes of the members, and sometimes it was difficult to make room for the crowds of young men.

And then "war broke out." Little did we realize the fact that we would be drawn into it in such a way as we are. That the soldiers we had trained to fight God's battle would have to leave us, to go and hold the freedom of our Christian country. But, a few at the time they were called into the service. Today there are 45 soldiers out there who are fine, Christian young men. Almost every branch of the service is represented by this class. There are twelve of the members still praying, hoping, waiting. Also, Miss Sandlin waits with us, prays with us, and hopes with us, that these young men will return and still be the soldiers in God's Kingdom as they once were. Forty-five soldiers for God will have a lot of influence over many lives that do not know Christ.—S. W. Hammett, Jr.

—BR—

The Executive Committee on Bible in the Public Schools, of Asheville, N. C., has voted to extend instruction in Bible to the Negro high school here this fall for the first time. The committee voted to place a Bible teacher in the Stephens-Lee high school, \$300 of the teacher's salary being provided by Negroes and the remaining \$900 being raised through public subscription.



GRADY SAUCIER

Grady Saucier died on August 6, 1942. Funeral services were held at his home church Juniper Grove, Pearl River County on August 7. His former pastor, Rev. D. W. Hix conducted the services and according to those present, preached a heart-searching and soul-comforting sermon.

Grady was born January 30, 1919. He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Oveal Saucier and four brothers, Alfred, Allen, Paul and J. C. Grady accepted Christ early in 1933. He stated in 1940 that he was called to preach God's word. He started to school and worked in a sack factory six hours per day, trying to make his way in school. Due to his health he was unable to carry on his preparations for the ministry. He always met his tasks, regardless of how hard they were, with courage and with a smile. He never shirked or shunned hard work, even though he lost much sleep and rest due to continued ill health. He was a faithful son and an obedient child. He was a young man who loved his church. He was faithful to the church and showed unflinching interest in it. He was a boy who believed in tithing. He believed in the word of God, all of it, but with special interest, he saw the importance of giving one-tenth of his income to the Lord.

The purpose of his life was definitely settled. We cannot understand why God saw fit to take him. He was 23 years of age. Much of his time he spent in illness with asthma, but he never was a boy to complain about his illness. He was deeply concerned about the affairs of the church, and in this particular time, and the condition of the church, he was vitally concerned.

—BR—

Miss Minnie Landrum, writing from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, tells of the illness of some of Southern Baptists' missionaries—indisposition due to overwork. She mentions especially Miss Bernice Neel, Miss Ruth Randall and Dr. L. M. Bratcher, and adds, "If we do not get re-enforcements soon, I fear there will be several who will not be able to return to us after their next furlough." As we contrast these earnest, consecrated toilers with the host of idlers whose names are on our church rolls, we wonder how long we may dare to expect the forbearance of the God who has said, "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion!"

For the second time within two months, Walter A. Reid, self-styled minister of the Jehovah Witnesses sect, came before Judge Ronald J. Dunn of Oneida, N. Y., for disorderly conduct, charged with playing messages on a phonograph to the annoyance of persons at whose homes he called.

Union, Perry county: It was my privilege to be with Rev. Dee Vee Hillman in a meeting at Union church. We had two additions by baptism.—Paul Z. Ball.

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Miss Dorothy O'Kelly (left) who holds the B. S. degree from Memphis State College and the M. S. degree from the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, will be instructor of freshman English at Blue Mountain College next session; and Miss Vivian Thorp, B. S., Louisiana State Normal, will be instructor in physical education.

Commandments of Men, "A Shaw Book," by Sivert Erdahl, is a series of short stories, light but interesting, with the following titles: Commandments of Men; Wilted Grass; Little Lao Shu-ching; The Serpent's Tongue; The Rich Fairy Prince; As the Gentiles Do; and A Murdered Man's Revenge. The stories are very imaginative, but each has a good moral. A good book for a gift to high school boys and girls. The price is \$1.00 and the publisher is Shaw Publishing Co., 1311 G. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Rev. A. A. Kitchings has resigned Bethlehem church in Yazoo county. It was an afternoon appointment.

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Ovett, Jones county: Rev. Charles Skutt and Mr. Clifford Brewer were here during the week of August 16-21, preaching and singing for our Youth Revival. We feel that much good was done for Christ. We had two additions with one adult for baptism. We have heard that Mr. Brewer died on Monday after he left us, and we wish to take this method of expressing our heart-felt sympathy for his loved ones. Our prayers are with them.—Paul Z. Ball, pastor.

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Rev. E. W. McKenzie Moves to Tennessee

We are sorry to lose one of our good pastors, one who is interested in Baptist Training Union work, to another state. Brother E. W. McKenzie has moved to Stanton, Tennessee, to become pastor there and we will miss him in our work. We commend him to these Tennessee folk. He was one of our district officers, vice president of District Five, was also associate director for Benton County Training Union and was responsible for some good work being promoted in that association this summer.

Mt. Olive in Mississippi Association Has First Study Course

We are indebted to Mrs. Lillian Reardon, leader of the Intermediate Union of Mt. Olive church in Mississippi Association, for a report of their work. They have recently had a good study course, using the Intermediate Manual as the text, the first they have ever had. Mrs. Reardon says they had a mighty good time and seventeen of the members completed the work and received the diploma. Using Mrs. Reardon's words, "I have a splendid group of boys and girls to work with who show a great deal of interest in the work." Congratulations, young people, on having one to work with you who appreciates the value of better training for church members.

JOHN D. W. WATTS ORDAINED

Brother John D. W. Watts, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Wash Watts, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry by the First Baptist Church of New Orleans Wednesday night, August 26, 1942.

Brother Watts, who is a graduate of Mississippi College and who is at present a student in the Baptist Bible Institute, has recently been called as pastor of the Lincoln Avenue Baptist Church of Pascagoula, Miss. He is a volunteer for the mission field and hopes some day to go as a missionary to Palestine, where he lived several years in childhood while his mother and father were missionaries there.

The examining presbytery consisted of the pastor, J. D. Grey, Dr. J. Wash Watts, Rev. Horatio Mitchell, Rev. Cecil V. Cook, Jr., Rev. W. W. Hamilton, Jr., Rev. A. Worthington and Deacons Harris M. Warren and R. S. Brumfield.

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The sermon was preached by the candidate's father, Dr. J. Wash Watts, who is dean and acting president of the Baptist Bible Institute. The Bible which was used in the ordination was the same one used in the ordination of the candidate's father at the Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, Laurens County, S. C., May 27, 1917.

TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS AFTER

In Aug. 1915, just twenty-seven years ago—though I was very young in the ministry—I was invited to do the preaching in a revival meeting in Bethel church, Calhoun county. During this twenty-seven years it has been my good pleasure to go back more than a half dozen times for meetings. We just closed a week's meeting there last week which in some respects was the best yet at any time I have been there. The recent resignation of Bro. Siler leaves the church without a pastor for the present. Through the years the church has had excellent pastors. There are many fine people composing the membership of the church. Bro. O. U. Rushing had charge of the music and rendered a very fine service. As usual, we were entertained in the fine home of Bro. and Mrs. Jim Doolittle. God's blessings continue to be upon those fine people.

The above meeting was our ninth this year. Some of them have been out of the state. God has been very gracious to us this year, and has signally blessed our work in the salvation of many souls. To Him be the glory.

C. S. THOMAS.

—BR—

We have received two pamphlets written by E. J. McKay of Dunn, N. C. One is entitled THE DAY OF THE LORD ON THE REVELATION (In Verse). We read the first few pages but didn't think it worth our time to finish reading the book. It is a pamphlet of 63 pages and sells for 25 cents. The second pamphlet is entitled OBJECTIONS ANSWERED TO CERTAIN STATEMENTS FOUND IN THE DAY OF THE LORD.

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MRS. J. C. CORK

Mrs. Lula Turner Cork, wife of Mr. J. C. Cork, prominent planter of Ackerman, Mississippi, quietly passed to her eternal reward on July 27th, and was laid to rest in the beautiful Enon Cemetery at Ackerman on July 29th. The funeral service was held in Ackerman Baptist Church, which was filled with friends, relatives, and lovely flowers.

Mrs. Cork was born in Concord community five miles south of Ackerman, Mississippi, on September 16, 1870, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Turner. There came to the attention of this writer the unusual fact that no death has occurred in this Turner family since 1900, and that eleven brothers and sisters remain.

The deceased grew up in a good Christian home, professed her faith in Christ early in life and united with Concord Baptist Church. After a sweet and wholesome Christian life as a girl and young woman, Lula Turner married J. C. Cork, of the same community in 1892, and since that good day they had lived on the same lovely spot among Mississippi's beautiful oak trees, and had maintained a home.

This union was blessed with ten children, all consecrated Christians, and all of whom live today, in ten different communities in five states.

The children are:

F. O. Cork, New Albany, Miss.; Mrs. Nannie Smith, wife of A. M. Smith, Carriere, Miss.; Mrs. Bervie McGhee, wife of W. H. McGhee, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Meldye Blake, wife of Clint Blake, Canton, Ohio; Miss Tessye Cork, Ackerman, Miss., and Natchez public schools; J. A. Cork, Newton, Miss.; Mrs. Vera Eubanks, wife of Rev. J. R. Eubanks, of Greenville, Miss.; C. C. Cork, Driver, Ark.; Dr. S. M. Cork, Cleveland, Miss.; Mrs. Irene Russell, wife of Major C. P. Russell, Leavenworth, Kansas.

It seems to this writer, as he tried to express it in the funeral service, that Mrs. Cork was truly an artist-painter, poet, composer and singer. The pictures she leaves to posterity are those of a true home, of unselfish love, of smiling, happy children, of patience and faithfulness, of true Godliness lived in the experiences of every day. Her poems live in rhythmic harmony in the lives of noble children and grandchildren, in the

heart of her husband and in the memory of many friends. Her life is a poem, the loved ones left behind are the verses. The inspiration of her memory will long remain in our hearts like the soft music of an angel choir.

The good husband, especially, and all of the loved ones left behind will feel the weight of loneliness. But we need not mourn as they that have no hope, nor be too sorrowful, for God speaks to us in His Holy Word, saying, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

C. P. THRAILKILL,
Louisville, Miss.

—BR—

Verona: I did the preaching at Verona and there were two for baptism. I have been called as pastor at Verona, succeeding Rev. J. P. Colvin, who has been appointed a chaplain.—F. V. McFatrige.

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Bible Lesson: Genesis 37

Introduction:

Lay this paper down and read Genesis 37. When you have read Genesis 37, note that we have now come to the last portion of the book of Genesis. All that follows Genesis 37:1 is embraced in the story of Joseph. He was the pioneer in making of the sons of Israel a nation in the land of Egypt. The remainder of the book of Genesis is devoted almost entirely to an account of Joseph and his work. By far more is told of Joseph than any other one of the patriarchs. We find this to be as it should be. An account of Joseph's life gives the story of the development of the Hebrew nation. The story of Joseph's life illustrates with remarkable clarity, the quiet workings of the providence of God. When men purpose evil, and work as they think their evil purposes, God turns their working unto good. Again the story of Joseph is the finest illustration of the worth of sterling character. No other story in the Bible gives so fine an illustration of the intrinsic value of spotless personal character.

I. The Early Life of Joseph. Genesis 37:1-22.

Joseph's youth was spent in Hebron. The fixed residence of Abraham, as also the residence of Isaac, and of Jacob after his return from the land of Laban.

In the story of Joseph again we have illustrated the principle that trouble always arises in families where favoritism is shown by the father to one of the sons, and the hatred that may be manifested by one brother toward another. On account of envy or jealousy, Joseph's brothers hated him because his father loved him best of all and showed too plainly that love.

If at all the hatred of Joseph's brothers was grounded in any semblance of justice, it was because Joseph made himself a tale-bearer, reporting the misdeeds of his brothers to their father. The things which the lad who spies upon his brothers reports to the father may be things that should be reported, but I have yet to meet a tale-bearer in school or in the home who was not feared and hated by those whose evil deeds he reported.

This tendency upon the part of Joseph to report his brothers' evil deeds to his father, together with his father's evident partiality to Joseph, manifested in his act of making for Joseph a coat of many colors, heightened and intensified the hatred of his brothers for him.

II. Joseph's Brothers Take Revenge. Genesis 37:23-28.

Joseph's ten older brothers were abroad with the sheep, leading them from pasture to pasture away north of their home in Hebron, until Jacob heard from them at Schechen. Thither Jacob sent his favorite son, clad in his coat of many colors, to bring Jacob word how his brothers fared in their keeping of the sheep. Upon reaching Schechen, Joseph learned that his brothers were ten miles north in Dothan, so he bent his footsteps thitherward in search of his

brothers who seemed to have seen him as he approached them and who by his coming were reminded of certain airs which he had assumed, in his association with them, and of certain dreams of his which he had reported to them (Gen. 37:5-11). These dreams were not difficult of interpretation, indeed Joseph had given a very thinly veiled interpretation of his dreams, the meaning of which in brief was that all of his brothers and his parents as well would one day do homage to him. This his brothers remembered as they saw the gaily-clad young man coming toward them over the hills. So they said one to another, "Look! yonder comes Mr. Dreamer." "Let us kill him and see what will become of his dreams." Only the oldest brother, Reuben, held out against this council, and advised instead that they hurl him down into a dry cistern, and let him stay there 'til he perish. We are told that Reuben intended to deliver him from this underground prison, but some matter of business took Reuben elsewhere, and a company of Midianites, traveling merchants, passed by on their way down to Egypt. Seeing this caravan, Judah advised that he be taken out of the cistern and be sold into slavery. This was accordingly done, and the brothers of Joseph thought that by this action they had forever rid themselves of this petted dreamer. But men do not get rid of those they hate by any deed of evil performed against them, and the deed of evil thus performed is first of all a crime against the conscience and the heart of the man who performs it. As long thereafter as the doer of evil shall live must he remember the evil deeds which his hand wrought. It may be a source of grief to him, in which case it is bad enough, or it may be a source of a gloating pride in his evil performance, in which case it is infinitely worse. III. Joseph in the House of Potiphar. Genesis 37:29-36, 39:1-18.

Here we have Joseph a slave. His master, the commander of the king's bodyguard, perhaps the commander-in-chief of all the army of Egypt. It was only a brief while before it became apparent to his master that his young slave was an extraordinary man. All affairs placed under his hand prospered, and such prosperity was so marked that in a comparatively brief space, he became the chief of all his master's household servants. I think we may be perfectly safe in saying that those who honor the Lord, the Lord will honor; that those who sincerely commit their ways to Him will be directed by Him.

The life journey of Joseph is along a path that led upward all the way to the pearly gate of the white city of God. There are downward dips in the pathway, and an occasional curve to the right or left, but its total progress is upward. Here in the life of Joseph the slave, the trusted slave of his master, occurs one of those downward dips. The story of his temptation in the house of Potiphar is one among the most familiar in all the word of God. He came through that temptation unscathed, but he came at

LOUIS BALL GAMBRELL

WHEREAS, Brother Louis Ball Gambrell departed this life on August 5th, 1942, one day before his eighty-fifth birthday; and,

WHEREAS, Brother Gambrell had been a member of Drew Baptist Church for more than thirty-seven years, and was the senior member of the Board of Deacons; and,

WHEREAS, his long, faithful and useful life in this church was characterized by his happy, enthusiastic Christian disposition, his sincere love for his fellow man, his earnest convictions, and his oft-expressed faith in and love for Almighty God; and,

WHEREAS, his faithful service in and devotion to this church have been a worthy example and a shining inspiration to this community; and,

WHEREAS, we realize keenly the great loss to our church and to us individually in the passing of this good man.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Deacons of Drew Baptist Church:

1. That we give expression to our grateful appreciation of Brother Gambrell, his life and his service;

2. That we voice our deep consciousness of the loss sustained by this community in his passing;

3. That this resolution be spread on the minutes of this church, and copies be furnished to the family of Brother Gambrell and to The Baptist Record.

BOARD OF DEACONS,
DREW BAPTIST CHURCH,
Drew, Mississippi.
O. S. Crosthwait, Chairman,
W. S. Hardin, Pastor.

(Brother Gambrell was the last member of a family of twelve, and among his brothers were the great Baptist preachers, J. H. and J. B. Gambrell, of other days.—Editor.)

—BR—

"Don't blame officials for not outlawing liquor. They are representatives of the people. The liquor traffic goes on not because the business man wants a bottle of beer at the end of his work day but because somebody is making money out of it and because the church is asleep."—J. B. McLaurin.

great peril of his life and at great cost to him in the liberty of his person. But it was through this temptation that God led him down into the dark and up out of it into the presence of Pharaoh, the king. Pharaoh heard him interpret a dream and with a keen perception of Joseph's worthiness and weight of character, said, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom the spirit of God is?" In this speech, Pharaoh spoke better than he knew. It was a man in whom the Spirit of God held sway who interpreted to Pharaoh his dream.

MY SUMMER F. G. Wilborn

This has been a great summer for me. The Lord has blessed the churches. The fellowship with the brethren has been unusually sweet. Hope (Neshoba) had a wonderful revival. Brother Riley Munday preached with power from above. We had 32 additions—28 for baptism, one yielded for special service.

Our revival at Spring Creek was good too. Brother A. L. Goodrich fed our souls with expository messages from I John. There were ten additions, nine for baptism and one yielded for special service.

It was my joy and privilege to make the trip to Ridgecrest (second Training Union week) as the representative of Neshoba County Training Union. Mr. Wilds and leaders over the state were a fine party to be with and anyone who has ever gone to Ridgecrest knows it is a mountain peak experience.

Our revivals at Salem, Fellowship and Union Ridge (Winston county) were good. Prayer meetings grew out of the last two. Salem church was dedicated last Thursday and it was a great day for this old church. Dr. McCall brought two wonderful messages.

Along with the revivals we have had several Bible schools, Teachers' Training courses and BTU study courses. Have received 60 into the churches, baptizing 48. A new Training Union at Hope, and several others strengthened. And now we are looking forward to a busy fall.

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HE SPOKE TO THE AGES is a book of 25 sermons by Dr. O. R. Mangum, formerly pastor, The Wornal Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri and now pastor, The First Baptist Church, Lenoir, North Carolina. The sermons are brief and scriptural. A careful study of them will be equivalent to a study of a good book on the life of Christ. We read these sermons with interest not only because of their content but because as a young man Dr. Mangum was pastor in our native county of Johnston, North Carolina.—A. L. G.

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Malachi 3:10

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During this period of time we have lived in various sections of the city of Jackson and have been members of Jackson's three largest Baptist churches, namely, Griffith Memorial, Calvary and First. Therefore, it has been our happy privilege to have had a part in building and equipping these three great churches and in helping through their program to carry the gospel to the utmost parts of the world. It is also gratifying to know that while we helped here we have made personal gifts of money to as many as seven other Baptist churches in the city or in the suburban areas around Jackson to help build, paint or purchase some equipment. Small donations to the Baptist Orphanage and other donations to former pastors for religious purposes have been given, also.

After a period of nearly thirty-one years of active railroad service, whose compensation made these gifts possible, I was forced into retirement on March 1, 1941, on account of a heart disorder which physicians classified as total and permanent. For months I was out of work and our compensation was naturally reduced. The future did not look bright, with a world war in progress and living costs rapidly mounting. Then there was a daughter finishing high school and almost ready for college.

After a year of rest treatment, we applied to the railroad company for reinstatement. A series of physical examinations were necessary and again the physicians and railroad rejected us on the results.

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Dixie church, Forest county: Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., of Blue Mountain led the revival at Dixie. This good church which has gone to half-time, is only three miles from Camp Shelby. Large groups of soldiers attended each night. There were nine additions.—C. S. Moulder, Pastor.

Double Springs Church in Webster County recently ordained three new deacons. They were Eurrell Scarbrough, Arnold Dunn and W. A. Turman. Among those taking part on the program were: Rev. J. V. Wilson, pastor, Rev. Joel Dorroh, Rev. J. B. Dorroh, Rev. B. P. Martin and Deacon Vol Hillhouse.

fore. All the while we carried our tithes and offerings to the church where we held our membership.

Now a new day has dawned for us. Our disability benefits have been allowed permanently. Because of these financial benefits, it has been a real joy to contribute over \$100.00 during the past six weeks to kingdom causes. Besides, we have given, without remuneration, as much of our time as our heart condition will allow, to religious work in the army camps in Mississippi.

"My flesh and my heart faileth; but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion forever." Psalm 73:26.

The windows of heaven have been opened. "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord."

Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on page 11.

1. (Lawyers): One kind is found in Mark 12:28 to 35; the other kind in Luke 11:44 to 47.

2. (War prophecy): "His enemies shall lick the dust." See Psalms 72:9-11.

3. (Narcissus): Paul refers to him as a man having a large household. Romans 16:11.

4. (Spilled salt): The ancient Greeks and Romans used salt in religious sacrifices, and considered it an unlucky omen if it was spilled. When Leonardo de Vinci painted his famous "The Last Supper," this old superstition caused him to place an overturned salt-cellar in front of Judas' seat.

THIS RATION BUSINESS

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J. WRONG.

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Plantersville: Dr. W. E. B. Lockridge of Ruston, La., did the preaching in our meeting. At the close of the meeting I baptized six, including a head of a family. Seven came by letter; giving us four new families to be included in our EVERY FAMILY list.—F. V. McFartridge.

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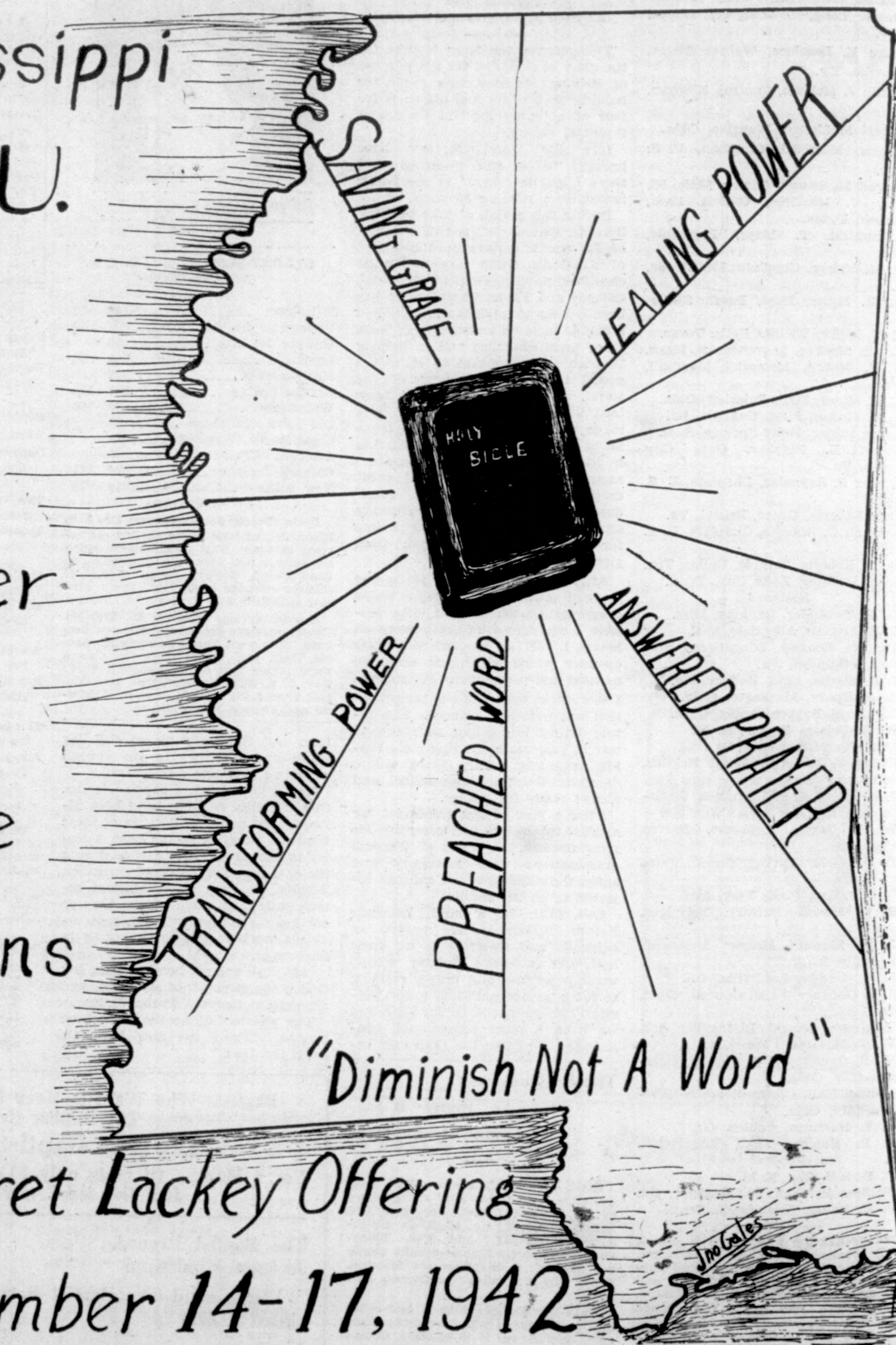
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